

Town of
Williamsburg
Massachusetts



2005
Annual Report



In Memory of Edward J. Crotty

We would like to dedicate this year's annual town report to the memory of Edward Crotty. Ed served the Town in many capacities over the years. He was a prior member of the Williamsburg Fire Department, as well as former Deputy Chief of the Police Department. Ed also served as Town Constable for many years right up to his death in January 2006. During last year's Police Department crisis, when everyone was afraid of a crime spree, Constable Crotty made his presence known. He was seen on television letting the public know he was keeping an eye on things by patrolling the streets in his own vehicle.

Ed represented what living in a small town is all about – he cared about the people of the Town as well as the Town itself, but more than that, he participated in making it a better place to live in ways that many will never know. Some folks simply reside in a Town; others truly live there – and a special few become fixtures. Their lives and the life of the Town are so intertwined that it is hard to think of one without thinking of the other. Such a man was our friend, Ed Crotty. If a job needed doing or a person needed help, Ed was there.

A line on the remembrance card given out at Ed's funeral reads:

"I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one".....It is Ed, it is.



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Town of Williamsburg
Incorporated 1771

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WILLIAMSBURG
TOWN OFFICE HOURS
141 Main Street, Haydenville

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO SELECT BOARD, Bonnie Roberge, (413) 268-8400, Fax (413) 268-8400, is available to the public Monday through Thursday from 8:30a.m. to 3:00p.m.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT, Kimberly Hyslip, (413) 268-8412, is available Monday afternoons at the town office.

TOWN COLLECTOR, Teresa Barstow, (413) 268-8401, is available to the public Monday through Thursday from 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m.

TOWN TREASURER, Karen Karowski, (413) 268-8415, is at the town offices Wednesdays from 8:00 – 3:00 p.m.

TOWN CLERK, Charlene Nardi (413) 268-8402, Fax (413) 268-8409, is available to the public Monday through Thursday from 9:15a.m. to 3:00p.m. and 5:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. Tuesday evenings.

ASSESSORS, (413) 268-8403, are available on Tuesday mornings from 10:00a.m. to 11:30a.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.

FOOTHILLS HEALTH AGENT, Jacqueline Duda, (413) 268-8404, is in Williamsburg on Wednesday.

POLICE CHIEF, John Cotton (413) 268-7237 is serving as interim chief. The Department is located at 16 South Main Street, Haydenville. Administrative Assistant, Pat Kirouac, is available Tuesdays from 2:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. and most mornings from 9:00 – 12:00 noon

REGIONAL SENIOR CENTER, Executive Director Mary Whelan and Program Director Fran Goebel, (413) 268-8407, hold office hours from 8:30a.m. to 1:30p.m. Monday through Thursday.

REGIONAL MEAL SITE, Director Emma Hall, (413) 268-9326. Meals are served Wednesdays and Thursdays at 11:45a.m.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT, Bill Turner, (413) 268-8405, is at 24 Main Street, Williamsburg, at the Highway Department. Highway Department hours are Monday through Friday 7:00a.m. to 3:30p.m.

HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE, Coordinator Eric Weiss, (413) 268-3845.

TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING CENTER, (413) 268-8408, is located on Mountain Street, Haydenville. Hours of Operation are as follows: Wednesdays – 11:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. (Summer only-starts first Wednesday in May) and 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (Winter only-starts first Wednesday in October), and Saturdays 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (All year long)

REGIONAL BUILDING INSPECTOR, Paul Tacy, (413) 296-0127, is at the Chesterfield Town Offices, P O Box 175, Chesterfield 01012. Office Assistant, Tara Ustalis, is available 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Please note that these times and days are subject to change. Banking, postal and other errands, along with lunch breaks, necessitate short absences that are unavoidable. We apologize for any inconveniences these absences may cause.

TOWN OF WILLIAMSBURG
Board Meeting Schedules

Appeals Board	As Necessary
Assessors p.m.	Tuesdays 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 – 8:00
Brassworks ReUse Committee	Monthly, 2 nd Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.
Conservation Commission	Bi-Monthly, 2 nd & 4 th Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. Site visits as needed
Council on Aging	Monthly, 3 rd Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.
Finance Committee	Monthly, 3 rd Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Health Board	Bi-Monthly, every other Wednesday
Hilltown Resource Management Coop	Monthly, 1 st Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Library Trustees	2 nd Thursday at Meekins Library
Williamsburg School Committee	Monthly, 3 rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Helen E. James School
Hampshire Regional School Committee	Monthly, 1 st Monday, 7:00 p.m. Hampshire Regional School
Planning Board	Bi-Monthly, 1 st & 3 rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.
Recreation Commission	Monthly
Selectmen	Every other Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Shade Tree Committee	Monthly
Trust Fund Commission	Bi-Monthly, 1 st & 2 nd Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Water/Sewer Commission	Every other Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
Woodland Trails	Monthly, 2 nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Please note that some changes are made in scheduling to accommodate summer/winter scheduling. Many boards hold additional meetings as necessary. All meetings are posted by the Town Clerk on the bulletin board in the town office. You can also view channel 15 on cable television in Williamsburg for postings.

2005 Appointed Officials

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Administrative Assistant		
Bonnie Roberge	1 year	2006
Administrator Feasibility Committee – Disbanded in 2005		
William Sayre	1 year	2005
David Mathers	1 year	2005
Jeffrey Ciuffreda	1 year	2005
Michael (Jim) Moran	1 year	2005
Katharine Baker	1 year	2005
Americans with Disabilities Act Committee		
Vacancy	1 year	2005
Vacancy	1 year	2004
Angel Park Committee		
Henry Warner	Completion	Completion
Marion Warner	Completion	Completion
Donna Baldwin	Completion	Completion
Deb Turner	Completion	Completion
DeAun Corbett	Completion	Completion
Sandra Magdalenski	Completion	Completion
Animal Inspector		
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006
Assistant to Collector		
Kerri Mathers	1 year	2006
Board of Appeals		
Katharine Baker (alternate)	1 year	2005 (resigned 11/1/05)
Lisa Berkman	3 years	2007
Gerald Mann	3 years	2008
David Mathers	3 years	2006
Donald Turner (alternate)	1 year	2006
Vacancy	1 year	2005
Brassworks Reuse Committee		
Peter Mahieu	1 year	2006
Martin Mahoney	1 year	2006 (Planning Board appt)
Jeffrey Ciuffreda	1 year	2006
Building Inspector		
Paul Tacy	1 year	2006

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Cable Advisory Committee		
Tom Adams	1 year	2006
Jeffrey Ciuffreda	1 year	2006
Dave Nardi	1 year	2006
Peter Pelland	1 year	2006
Arthur Silver	1 year	2006
Capital Planning Committee		
Robert Buchele	1 year	2006
Kit Smith	1 year	2006
Bill Sayre	3 years	2008
Vacancy	3 years	2006
Lloyd Warriner	3 years	2007
* 3 year appointments by Selectboard * 1 year appointments by Finance Cmte		
Community Development Planning Committee – Disbanded 7/21/05		
Laura Baker	1 year	2005
Michael Beattie	1 year	2005
Mary Bisbee	1 year	2005
Curt Hamilton	1 year	2005
Bryan Lashway	1 year	2005
Sally Loomis	1 year	2005
Doris Shallcross	1 year	2005
Steve Snow	1 year	2005
Conservation Commission		
Jim Wilson, Chair	3 years	2008
Tom Hodgkins	3 years	2007
Wilbur Loomis	3 years	2008
Philip Skwira	2 years	2006
Robert Stinson	3 years	2007
Melissa Adams – Secretary		2006
Constables		
Edward Crotty	3 years	2007 * appt in 2004 for 3 years
Vacancy	3 years	2004
Council on Aging		
Carl Beach	3 years	2007
Dorothy Backer	3 years	2007
Eric Backer	3 years	2007
Donna Baldwin	3 years	2008
Ira Gabrielson	3 years	2008
Kerstin Liander	3 years	2008
Gerald Mann	3 years	2006
Janet Nurczyk	3 years	2006
Lenore Gervais	3 years	2006
Sandy Limatainen – alternate	(former Associate)	

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Council on Aging (continued)		
Emma Hall – alternate	(former Associate)	
Betty Rice – Associate	3 years	2006
Frances M. Goebel, Program Director	1 year	2006
Mary Wheelan, Director	1 year	2006
Athena Warner	Emeritus	Lifetime
Al Mosher	Emeritus	Lifetime
Dorothea Mosher	Emeritus	Lifetime
Nellie Kajka	Emeritus	Lifetime
Cultural Council		
Carolyn Webb-Rosenzweig	2 years	2006
Linda Gibbon	3 years	2008
Nan Fleming	3 years	2008
Sarah Palmer	3 years	2008
Mary Kay Hannon	3 years	2007
Director Civil Defense		
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006
Dog Officer		
William Turner	1 year	2006
Debra Turner	1 year	2006
Electricity Advisory Committee		
Peter Mahieu	1 year	2006
Field Driver		
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006
Vacancy	1 year	2004
Emergency Management Director		
Ira Gabrielson	1 year	2006 – resigned in Sept 2005
Eric Cerreta	1 year	2006
Fire Chief/Forest Fire Warden		
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006
Fire Fighters		
	1 year	2006
Donald Turner – Deputy Chief		
Eric Cerreta – Deputy Chief		
James Ferron - Captain		
Jason Connell – Captain		
Paul Sanderson – Lieutenant		
Matt Bruso – Lieutenant		
Brian McGill – Lieutenant		

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	
Fire Fighters			
Daryl Springman	Peter Banister	Roger Bisbee	John Connell
Alan Everett	Glen Everett	Richard Karowski	Lawrence Lashway
Cory McGill	John Pope	Gilman Smith	Kenneth Taylor
Dan Banister	Mark Curtin	Tim McQueston	
* Firefighters are appointed by the Fire Chief			
Gas Inspector			
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006	
Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority			
Vacancy	4 years	2006	
Highway Superintendent			
William Turner	1 year	2006	
Hilltown Community Development Corporation			
Vacancy	1 year	1997	
Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative			
Anne Gelbard	1 year	2006	
Rob Stinson	1 year	2006	
Historical Commission			
Mary Bisbee	3 years	2007	
Dave Majercik	3 years	2008	
Eric Weber	3 years	2006	
Ralmon Black	3 years	2006	
Sarah Palmer	2 years	2006	
Materials Recycling Facility Advisory Board			
Eric Weiss	1 year	2006	
Measurer Gravel/Soil and Manure			
Warren E. White	1 year	2006	
Open Space and Recreation Committee			
Kate Dollard	1 year	2006	
Melissa Adams	1 year	2006	
Charlie Heath	1 year	2006	
Roz Driscoll	1 year	2006	
Sally Loomis	1 year	2006	
Jennifer Fish	1 year	2006	
Wilbur Loomis	1 year	2006	
Jake Hewes	1 year	2006	
* Representatives to the Five Town Initiative Committee are Sally Loomis and Kate Dollard			

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Parking Clerk		
Teresa Barstow	1 year	2006
Pioneer Valley Region Joint Transportation		
Linda Rowley	1 year	2006
William Turner - alternate	1 year	2006
Planning Board		
Martin Mahoney	5 years	2006
Roger Bisbee	5 years	2006
Peter Pelland	5 years	2008
James Lawrence	5 years	2009
Timothy McQueston	5 years	2010
Andy Soles	5 years	2010
Katharine Baker	5 years	2010
Vacancy	2 years	2007
Neal Anderson	5 years	2005 - *did not seek reappt
Plumbing Inspector		
Donald Lawton	1 year	2006
Police Chief		
John Cotton	6 months	06/30/06
Patrick Archbald	1 year	2005 – resigned 6/30/05
Police Officers		
Tyler Moore	1 year	2006
Dan Warner	1 year	2006
William Chapman	1 year	2006
Denise Wickland	1 year	2006
Jeffrey Brooks	1 year	2006
Sean M. Hoyer	1 year	2006
Michael Wayne	1 year	2006
Aimee Wallace	1 year	2006
Ronald Waskiewicz	1 year	2005 – resigned 3/1/05
Patrick Quinn	1 year	2005 – resigned 3/1/05
David Martin	1 year	2005 – resigned 3/1/05
David West	1 year	2005 – resigned 6/30/05
Ray Vandoloski	1 year	2005 – resigned 2/17/2005
Nathan Fisher	1 year	2005 – resigned 6/30/05
William Graham	1 year	2005
Peter Scoble	1 year	2005
Police Secretary		
Patricia Kirouac	1 year	2006
Karen Karowski	1 year	2005 – resigned 6/30/05

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Procurement Officer Walter (Sam) Kellogg	1 year	2006
PVTA Representative Jeffrey Ciuffreda	1 year	2005
Registrar of Voters Jean York	3 years	2007
Charlene Nardi	3 years	2007
Linda Rowley	3 years	2008
Diane O'Sullivan	1 years	2006 * finish term
Jean Hemenway	3 years	2005 – resigned 6/2005
School Building Committee Alan Everett	1 year	2006
Alice Walker	1 year	2006
Donna McGill	1 year	2006
George Childs	1 year	2006
Jeffrey Gelbard	1 year	2006
John Pohanka	1 year	2006
Michele Morris	1 year	2006
Sherri Marti	1 year	2006
• School Principal is advisory member		
Senior Center Feasibility Committee Mary Wheelan	1 year	2006
Carl Beach	1 year	2006
Emma Hall	1 year	2006
Sandra Liimatainen	1 year	2006
Bonnie Roberge	1 year	2006
Candy Smith	1 year	2006
Shade Tree Committee Osa Flory	1 year	2006
Anne Bussler	1 year	2006
Jackie Compton	1 year	2006
Michael Beattie	1 year	2006
John Kuzeja, Jr.	1 year	2006
Paul Jahnige	1 year	2006
Surveyor Wood/Lumber Warren E. White	1 year	2006
Town Accountant Kimberly Hyslip	3 year	2007 (corrected)

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Town Administrator Committee		
Katharine Baker	1 year	2006
Jeffrey Ciuffreda	1 year	2006
William Sayre	1 year	2006
Town Collector		
Teresa Barstow	3 years	2007
Tree Warden/Gypsy Moth Superintendent		
Shade Tree Committee	1 year	2006
Veteran's Agent		
Henry Warner	1 year	2006
Whiting Street Fund		
Donna Gibson	1 year	2005
George Shaheen	1 year	2005
Jeanne Hemenway	1 year	2005
Williamsburg School Council (The School Council is not appointed by Town Government)		
Alfred J. Venne, Principal	1 year	2006
Vacancy	1 year	2005
Vacancy	1 year	2005
Laurie Cote	1 year	2005
Maureen Sheehan	1 year	2005
Nancy Mahoney	1 year	2005
Jeff Gelbard	1 year	2006
Williamsburg Woodland Trails Committee		
Diane Merritt	1 year	2006
Eileen Keegan	1 year	2006
Dean Acheson	1 year	2006
John Hoogstaten	1 year	2006
Paul Jahnige	1 year	2006
Mary Serreze	1 year	2006
Kathleen Emerson	1 year	2006
Gwen Blodgett	1 year	2006
Michael Reed	1 year	2006
Wiring Inspector		
Paul Lyons	1 year	2006

Town Employees/Election Workers

Williamsburg Libraries

Lisa Wenner – Library Director

Rochelle Wildfong

Bobbin Young

Health Agent

Jackie Duda

Highway Department

Kenneth Taylor

Donald Turner

Peter Banister

Police Station Custodian

Pollworkers

Dot Lucey

Ira Gabrielson

Janet Nurczyk

Kathleen Luce

Mary Koenig

Albert Mosher

Doris Taylor

Candy Smith

Lucille Clark

Bernadine Magdalenski

Don Owens

Pat Casterline

Jeffrey Ciuffreda

Mary Ann Ciuffreda

Maureen Mathers

Sheila Dufresne

Town Office Custodian

Russell Richardson

Transfer Station Manager

Thomas Poudrier

Transfer Station Staff

George Newman

Henry Warner

Wardens

Bess Lojko

Winona Lockwood

2005 Elected Officials

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Assessors		
Denise Banister	3 years	2006
Marjorie Dunphy	3 years	2007
Henry Warner	3 years	2008
Board of Health		
Ira Gabrielson	3 years	2006
Donna Gibson	3 years	2007
Donald Lawton	3 years	2008
Board of Library Trustees		
Christopher B. Loring	3 years	2006
James Locke	3 years	2006
Connie Fitzgerald	2 years	2006 (appointed 10/27)
Anne Haxo	3 years	2007
Mary Gabrielson	3 years	2007
Patricia Billingsley	3 years	2008
Sue Froehlich	3 years	2008 resigned 9/28/05
Elector-Oliver Smith Will		
Eric Cerreta	1 year	2006
Finance Committee		
Karen DeSalvio	1 year	2006 (* appointed/ 3 years in 2006)
Christopher Morris	2 years	2006 (appointed/run 2 yrs in 2006)
Michael Beattie	3 years	2006
Robert Buchele	3 years	2006
Christopher Smith	3 years	2007
Gordon Allen	3 years	2007
Karen Karowski	3 years	2007
Peter Mahieu	3 years	2008J
John Pepi	3 years	2008
Denise Banister	3 years	2006 Resigned May 16, 2005
Deborah F. Jacobson	3 years	2008 — resigned Sept 2005
Hampshire Council of Government Councilors		
Eileen Stewart	2 years	2007
Local School Committee		
Charlene Nardi	3 years	2006
Diane Bishop	3 years	2007
Jeff Gelbard	3 years	2007
Duncan Laird	3 years	2008
Michael Beattie	3 years	2008
• Correction – Susan Snow was Chair of Local School Cmte. for 2003 & 2004		
Moderator		
Eileen Stewart	1 year	2006

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Recreation		
Dennis Bishop	3 years	2006
Alan Golash	3 years	2007
Duncan Laird	2 years	2007 * run for 3 in 2007
Gary Benoit	3 years	2008
John O'Sullivan	3 years	2008
Regional School Committee		
Kate Smith	3 years	2006
Sherri Marti	3 years	2007
David P. Nardi	3 years	2008
Board of Selectmen		
David (Rabbitt) Haskell	3 years	2006
Eric Cerreta	3 years	2007
Denise Banister	3 years	2008
Town Clerk		
Charlene Nardi	3 years	2007
Treasurer		
Karen Karowski	3 years	2007
Trust Fund/Cemetery Commission		
James DiDonato	3 years	2006
Jeffrey Ciuffreda	3 years	2007
John Pohanka	3 years	2008
Water/Sewer Commission		
William Turner	2 years	2006 (3 year term in 2006)
David (Rabbitt) Haskell	3 years	2007
Walter Kellogg	3 years	2007
Donald Owens	2 years	2006 (resigned /re-appointed **run for two year term in election)
Howard Sanderson	3 years	2008

Annual Report of the Town Clerk

It was another busy year for the Town of Williamsburg. We posted three special town meetings (one of which was not held due to a lack of quorum), and two special elections in addition to the Annual Caucus, Annual Town Meeting and Election. In other areas it was business as usual. Dog licenses were issued, records were updated, filings made and questions, I hope, answered. The Town Clerk's Office assisted individuals with copies of vital records and genealogy searches.

The following Town Meetings and Elections were held in Williamsburg from January 2005 to December 2005.

Annual Caucus – Monday March 7, 2005

Special Town Meeting – Monday, March 14, 2005 – not held due to lack of quorum

Annual Meeting and Election – Monday May 2, 2005

Continuation of Annual Meeting – Monday May 16, 2005

Special Override Election – Monday June 27, 2005

Special Override Election – Monday September 12, 2005

Special Town Meeting – Monday November 14, 2005

Special Town Meeting – Monday November 16, 2005 – Special Legislation

Six voter registration sessions were held to register voters for the meetings and elections.

As of December 31, 2005 there were 1,706 active registered voters. The breakdown of registered voters:

580 active registered Democrats

170 active registered Republicans

934 active registered Unenrolled (formerly called Independent)

18 registered Green-Rainbow

4 registered Libertarian

This year, Jeanne Hemenway, a Registrar of Voters since 1992, resigned. Ms. Hemenway has been an integral part of Williamsburg's Town Government in many different capacities. In each of her positions she has made a difference. I wish to thank her for her support and commitment to the election process all these years.

Every year, I give heartfelt thanks to our Constable, Ed Crotty. His tireless devotion to the Town and support of my office was never ending; the year 2005 wasn't any different. It is with great sadness that I write this in February 2006, as Ed passed away last month. He will always be remembered and greatly missed.

Thank you to the Registrar of Voters – Diane O'Sullivan, Linda Rowley and Jean York, the Wardens - Bess Lojko and Winona Lockwood, and the dedicated and efficient election workers, Dot Lucey, Janet Nurczyk, Kathleen Luce, Ira Gabrielson, Bernadine Magdalenski, Don Owens, Jeffrey Ciuffreda, Mary Ann Ciuffreda, Pat Casterline and Sheila Dufresne. My thanks to the School Administration for their constant support of the Town of Williamsburg.

The Town Clerk's Office has the unique opportunity to assist individual's research their family's records. It is such an interesting and fun aspect of the position. The spring is the busiest time for such requests, which are made in person, by mail or email. In many instances, I pass along requests to Ralmon Black and Eric Weber whom are a wealth of knowledge about the relations and histories of families that lived in town. Thank you Ralmon and Eric for your dedication and assistance.

The following numbers and licenses were recorded as of December 31, 2005:

The total population - 2,382

Residents 18 and over - 2,240

The Dog Officers and Town Clerk licensed 444 dogs.

Fishing and Hunting Licenses were issued from the Town Clerks office as listed below:

26 Sporting and Hunting Licenses

21 Fishing Licenses

The Town of Williamsburg recorded 27 births, 17 Marriages and 34 deaths in the year 2005.

We wish all families with new babies a lifetime of health and happiness, our congratulations to newly married couples and our deepest condolences to families who lost a loved one.

*Massachusetts General Law prohibits the listing of any names attached to children under the age of 18. In an aggressive attempt to protect residents against identity theft and to preserve families privacy in this new world of technology, the Secretary of States Office does not recommend the release of any names in regards to vital records in any Town Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene L. Nardi

CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION -TOWN CAUCUS 2005

We certify that a caucus of qualified voters (quorum 40) of the Town of Williamsburg was called and held in accordance with the provisions of law relating thereto, at the Anne T. Dunphy School on the seventh day of March 2005, and the following nominations of Candidates for Town Offices were made:

The Town Clerk, Charlene Nardi, called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. A Chair and Secretary were selected. Chair: Christopher Morris Secretary: Kimberly Hyslip

OFFICE	TERM	CANDIDATE	RESIDENCE
ASSESSOR	SIGNATURE		
	3	Henry Warner	105 Adams Rd.
	Signed by same		
	3	Kevin Papageorge	56 Mountain St.
	Signed by same		
BOARD OF HEALTH	3	Don Lawton	39 Goshen Rd.
	Signed by same		
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES	3	Patricia A. Billingsley	82 South St. rear
	Signed by same		
	3	Sue Froehlich	11 South St.
	Signed by same		
ELECTOR-OLIVER SMITH WILL	1	Eric Cerreta	157 Main St.
	Signed by same		
FINANCE COMMITTEE	3	Christopher Morris	28 Village Hill Rd.
	Signed by same		
	3	Deb Jacobson	3 Village Hill Rd
	Signed by same		
	3	Karen DeSalvio	28 Mountain St.
	NO Signature		
	3	Peter Mahieu	89 Nash Hill Rd
	Signed by same		
	3	John Pepi	39 South St.
	Signed by same		
HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT COUNCILORS	2	Eileen Stewart	7 Petticoat Hill Rd.
	Signed by same		
LOCAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	3	Michael Beattie	81 South St.
	Signed by same		
	3	Duncan Laird	104 Petticoat Hill Rd.
	Signed by same		

MODERATOR 1 Eileen Stewart
Signed by same

7 Petticoat Hill Rd

RECREATION

COMMISSION 2 Duncan Laird
Signed by same

104 Petticoat Hill Rd

 3 Gary Benoit
Signed by same

8 Grove St.

 3 John O'Sullivan
Signed by same

12 Fairfield Ave.

REGIONAL SCHOOL

COMMITTEE 3 David P. Nardi
Signed by same

67 Nash Hill Rd

SELECTMAN 3 Denise Banister
Accepted by letter

54 Old Goshen Rd.

TRUST FUND/CEMETERY

COMMISSION 3 John Pohanka
Signed by name

123 South St.

WATER/SEWER

COMMISSION 1 William Turner
Signed by same

21 Lawton Hill Rd.

 3 Don Owens
Signed by same

35 Kingsley Ave.

 3 Howard Sanderson
Signed by same

2 Village Hill Ave

We hereby certify that at least forty qualified voters of the Town of Williamsburg participated and voted therein. Due to the fact that all of the nominees would be placed on the ballot, it was voted that the Secretary cast one ballot to certify the nominees are certified. We also certify that the caucus voted that in the case of death, withdrawal or in-eligibility of the candidate or candidates so nominated, the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the following: a committee consisting of the Chairman and Secretary of the Caucus and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

S/ Christopher Morris, Presiding Officer S/ Kim Hyslip, Secretary to Caucus

Filed March 15, 2005

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

CHARLENE L. NARDI, TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF WILLIAMSBURG
Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting
May 2, 2005 (Continued to May 16, 2005)

Warrant signed and posted on April 21, 2005

Selectmen: Eric Cerreta, David Haskell and Christopher Morris

Constable: Edward Crotty

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. in the Anne T. Dunphy School cafeteria and Articles 1 and 2 of the Annual Town Meeting were moved and balloting begun. The meeting was recessed to 7:15pm.

The polls were closed at 7pm, the machine tape was printed and pollworkers hand counted the write-ins for Board of Selectmen. The following results of the Election were recorded by Wardens Bess Lojko and Kathleen Luce and Town Clerk, Charlene Nardi at 8:35pm.

Votes Cast - 8169

Number of Eligible Voters - 1771

Last day to register to vote - April 12, 2005

Assessor - 3 years - vote for 1

Blanks - 109

Henry Warner - 588 E

Kevin Papageorge - 117

Write-ins - 1

Board of Health - 3 years - vote for 1

Blanks - 121

Donald Lawton - 691 E

Write-ins - 3

Board of Library Trustees - 3 years - vote for 2

Blanks - 615

Patricia Billingsley - 471 E

Sue Froehlich - 505 E

Write-ins - 39

Elector Oliver Smith Will - 1 year

Blanks - 266

Eric Cerreta - 541 E

Write-ins - 18

Finance Committee - 3 years - vote for 3

Blanks - 586

Deborah Jacobson - 476 E

Peter Mahieu - 529 E

Christopher Morris - 402

John Pepi - 443 E

Write-ins - 9

Hampshire Council of Governments - 1 year

Blanks - 219

Eileen Stewart - 591 E

Write-ins - 5

Local School Committee - 3 years vote for 2

Blanks - 638

Michael Beattie - 449 E

Duncan Laird - 526 E

Write-ins - 17

Moderator – 1 year

Blanks – 204

Eileen Stewart – 598 E

Write-ins – 13

Recreation Commission – 1 year

Blanks – 218

Duncan Laird - 596 E

Write – ins – 1

Recreation Commission – 3 years – vote for 2

Blanks – 522

Gary Benoit – 554 E

John O'Sullivan – 554 E

Write-ins - 0

Regional School Committee – 3 years

Blanks – 207

David P. Nardi - 606 E

Write-ins – 2

Selectman – 3 years – vote for 1

Blanks – 24

Denise Banister – 457 E

Write-ins – 334

Patricia Billingsley – 327

Others – 7

Trust Fund/Cemetery Commission – 3 years

Blanks – 233

John Pohanka – 580 E

Write-ins – 2

Water/Sewer Commission – 1 year

Blanks – 179

William Turner – 631 E

Write-ins – 5

Water/Sewer Commission – 3 yrs – vote for 2

Blanks – 423

Donald Owens – 608 E

Howard Sanderson – 592 E

Write-ins – 7

With a quorum being present, the Moderator called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:15 p. m. Moderator made announcements. The greeting was read by Town Clerk. Town Accountant, Kimberly Hyslip, stated that certified free cash is \$332, 189. The following articles were voted on:

Article 1 and 2 were moved at the polls from 10: 00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Article 3 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,647.00 to pay Kopelman and Paige, P.C. for legal consultations in May and June 2004 (fiscal 2004) that were not billed until July 2004 (fiscal 2005) and to take said sum from available funds. (4/5ths vote required)

Passed Unanimously

Article 4 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000.00 from Water Retained Earnings to the Water Department Expense line.

Passed Unanimously

Article 5 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from Sewer Retained Earnings to the Sewer Department Expense line.

Passed Unanimously

Article 6 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to pay Hilltown Community Development Corporation for Hilltown Elder Network services provided to Williamsburg elders from July 2003 to June 2004 that were not billed until September 2004 (fiscal 2005) and to take said sum from free cash.

Passed Unanimously

Article 7 Moved and seconded the Town vote, in accordance with the provisions of G. L. c.32B, §2, as amended by §12 of c.46 of the Acts of 2003, to designate as employees members of the call/volunteer Fire Department, provided that the Town shall charge such individuals 100% of the premium for health insurance.

Passed Unanimously

Article 8 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to change the language of the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Williamsburg as follows:

Delete:

Section 9.81 Permitted Signs

a. Signs Not Requiring a Permit

1. Noncommercial signs not exceeding two (2) square feet in area are permitted in all zones.
2. One sign, not exceeding seven (7) square feet in area, advertising real estate for sale or rent, located on the property advertised. In the case of subdivisions, the sign may be located at the entrance to the subdivision on property which is part of the subdivision.
3. Temporary signs that are in compliance with this section, displayed for a period not to exceed three (3) months in any one year.

- b. Signs Requiring a Permit Only
One (1) or two (2) signs for a commercial or other non-residential use, not exceeding twelve (12) square feet in combined total area, provided that they comply with Sign Restrictions listed below. Only one side of a freestanding or projecting sign shall be counted toward the maximum sign area.
- c. Signs Requiring a Special Permit
Signs not permitted by Subsections a or b above and not prohibited by Sign Restrictions section below may be allowed by Special Permit.

Add:

Section 9.81 Permitted Signs

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- b. Signs Requiring a Special Permit
Signs not permitted by Subsections a above and not prohibited by Sign Restrictions section below may be allowed by Special Permit.
Passed Unanimously (2/3rds required Zoning By-law change)

Article 9

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks: by adding to the end of section 1: "from the entire width of said sidewalk. Failure to remove snow the entire width of sidewalk or within twenty four hours will result in a warning for the first offense and \$50.00 fine per incident for subsequent offenses, with each day that such impediment remains constituting a separate offense."

Moved and seconded to amend the fine to \$25.00.

Amendment - Passed Majority

Hand count done for the article with amendment – aye – 62, nay 78

Entire Article defeated.

- Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks by adding to the end of section 2: "Failure to comply will result in a written warning for the first offense and a \$50.00 fine per incident for subsequent offenses, with each day that such encumbrance remains constituting a separate offense."
No action taken
- Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks: by adding a new section 6 as follows:
6. Whoever violates any provision of the Highways and Sidewalks section of the By-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by the non-criminal method of disposition as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 21D. Any Police Officer, the Board of Selectmen or their designee are designated as the enforcing persons for non-criminal disposition enforcement of the Highways and Sidewalks section of the By-law.
No Action taken
- Article 12 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Dog By-laws: section V: Fees and Fines as follows:
Add Section V.D as follows:
Whoever violates any provision of the Dog By-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by the non-criminal method of disposition as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 21D
\$25.00/dog for renewal licensing between May 1st to May 31st
\$50.00/dog for renewal licensing after May 31st
\$25.00/dog – Pick-up fee
\$15.00/day per dog – daily care fee

Delete the following paragraph from V.C.
A Pick-up fee in the amount of \$25.00 will be charged the owner and turned over to the Dog Control Revolving Fund. Any further offense may result in court action.

Delete the following sentence from V.C.
Owners will pay the dog control officer \$15.00 per day for the care of the dog in addition to the fine for the offense.
Passed Unanimously
- Article 13 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Dog By-laws, section VI: Violations by adding section VI.G as follows:

Whoever violates any provision of the Dog-By-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by the non-criminal method of disposition as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 21D. The Dog Officer, any Police Officer, and the Board of Selectmen of the Town are designated as the enforcing persons for non-criminal disposition enforcement of the Dog By-laws.
Passed Unanimously
- Article 14 Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the Williamsburg Zoning By-law, Section 8.0 through 8.62 by deleting the entire specified sections and replacing it by adding Section 8.0 through 8.62 as follows:

Passed Unanimously

SECTION 8 - WATER SUPPLY PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT

8.0 Purpose

The purposes of the Water Supply Protection Overlay District are to promote the health, safety and welfare of the community by protecting and preserving the surface and groundwater supply resources of Williamsburg from any use of land or structures that reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources.

8.1 Scope of Authority

The Water Supply Protection Overlay District shall be superimposed on the other districts established by this Bylaw. All regulations of this Bylaw applicable to such underlying districts shall remain in effect, except that where the Water Supply Protection Overlay District imposes additional regulations, such regulations shall prevail.

8.2 Overlay District Delineation

8.21 The Water Supply Protection Overlay District is herein established to include all lands within the Town of Williamsburg lying within the primary and secondary recharge areas of groundwater aquifers and watershed areas of reservoirs that provide or may in the future provide public water supply. The map entitled "Water Supply Protection District", on file with the Town Clerk, delineates the boundaries of the District.

8.22 Where the bounds delineated are in doubt or in dispute, the burden of proof shall be upon the owner(s) of the land in question to show where they should be properly located. At the request of the owner(s), the Town may engage a professional hydro-geologist to determine more accurately the location and extent of an aquifer recharge or watershed area. In the case of a determination by a hydro-geologist that the bounds delineated on the above said map are incorrect for the property in question, the Town shall pay for the investigation. In the case of a determination by a hydro-geologist that the bounds delineated on the map are correct for the property in question, the owner(s) shall pay for the investigation.

8.3 Prohibited Uses

- a. Uses which manufacture, use, process, store or dispose of hazardous materials except for:
 - 1) very small quantity generators, as defined by 310 CMR 30.00;
 - 2) household hazardous waste collection centers or events operated pursuant to CMR 30.390;
 - 3) waste oil retention facilities required by MGL. c. 21, § 52A; and
 - 4) treatment works approved by the Water/Sewer Commission designed in accordance with 314 CMR 5.00 for the treatment of contaminated ground or surface waters
- b. Petroleum, fuel oil and heating oil bulk stations and terminals, including, but not limited to, those listed under Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Codes 5171 and 5983. SIC Codes are established by the U.S Office of Management and Budget and may be determined by referring to the publication, Standard Industrial Classification Manual and any subsequent amendments thereto;
- c. Car washes, except when connected to public water and sewer.

- d. Solid waste landfills, open dumps, junk and salvage yards.
- e. Business and industrial uses, not agricultural, which involve the on-site disposal of process waste from operations.
- f. Non sanitary waste water treatment or disposal works subject to 314 CMR 5.00, except for: 1) the replacement or repair of an existing system(s) that will not result in a design capacity greater than the design capacity of the existing system(s);
- 2) treatment works approved by the Water/Sewer Commission designed for the treatment of contaminated ground or surface waters and operated in compliance with 314 CMR 5.05(3) or 5.05(13); and
- 3) publicly owned treatment works, or POTW;
- 4) Disposal of liquid or leachable wastes, except for residential subsurface waste disposal systems, normal agricultural operations, and business or industrial uses which involve the on-site disposal of wastes from personal hygiene and food preparation for patrons and employees.
- g. Outdoor storage of commercial fertilizer, road salt, de-icing materials, pesticides, herbicides, and animal manure
- h. The use of septic system cleaners, which contain toxic chemicals
- i. Land uses that result in the rendering impervious any lot or parcel more than 15% or 2500 square feet, whichever is greater, unless a system for artificial recharge of precipitation is provided that will not result in the degradation of groundwater quality.

8.4 Restricted Uses

- a. Excavation for removal of earth, sand, gravel and other soils shall not extend closer than five (5) feet above the annual high groundwater table. The property owner to verify groundwater elevations shall install a monitoring well. This section shall not apply to excavations incidental to permitted uses, including but not limited to providing for the installation or maintenance of structural foundations, freshwater ponds, utility conduits or on-site sewage disposal.
- 1) Access roads to extractive operation sites shall include a gate or other secure mechanism to restrict public access to the site.
- b. The use of sodium chloride for ice control shall be minimized, consistent with public highway safety requirements.
- c. stockpiling and disposal of snow or ice removed from highways and streets located outside of the Zone that contains sodium chloride, chemically treated abrasives or other chemicals used for snow and ice removal;
- d. storage of commercial fertilizers, as defined in MGL Chapter 128, §64, unless such storage is within a structure designed to prevent the generation and escape of contaminated runoff or leachate.
- e. Storage of liquid hazardous materials and/or liquid petroleum products unless such storage is above ground level and on an impervious surface, and either;
 - 1) in containers or above ground tanks within a building, or;
 - 2) outdoors in covered containers or above ground tanks in an area that has a containment system designed and operated to hold either 10% of the total possible storage capacity of all containers, or 110% of the largest container's storage capacity, whichever is greater.

8.5 Drainage

All runoff from impervious surfaces shall be recharged on the lot by being diverted toward areas covered with vegetation for surface infiltration to the extent possible. Dry wells shall be used only where other methods are infeasible, and shall be preceded by oil, grease and sediment traps to facilitate removal of contamination. All drainage structures and systems and recharge areas shall be permanently maintained in full working order by the owner.

8.6 Uses by Special Permit

With the exception of those uses prohibited in Section 8.3 of this bylaw, commercial or industrial uses, allowed in the underlying district may be allowed in the Water Supply Protection District by Special Permit from the Board of Appeals. Any enlargement, intensification or alteration of an existing commercial or industrial non-conforming use in the district shall also require a Special Permit under this section.

a. Requirements for Special Permit in the Water Supply Protection District: The applicant shall file six (6) copies of a site plan prepared by a qualified professional with the Board of Appeals. The site plan shall at a minimum include the following information where pertinent:

- 1) Provisions to prevent contamination of groundwater by petroleum products, hazardous materials or wastes;
- 2) Drainage recharge features and provisions to prevent loss of recharge;
- 3) Provisions to control soil erosion, sedimentation and soil compaction;
- 4) Provisions to prevent seepage from sewer pipes;
- 5) A complete list of chemicals, pesticides, fuels and other potentially hazardous materials to be used or stored on the premises in quantities greater than those associated with normal household use. Every business using or storing such hazardous materials shall file a definitive operating plan which shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Williamsburg Board of Health and all other applicable local, state and federal regulations.
- 6) Evidence of compliance with the regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act, 310 CMR 30.

8.61 Application requirements for Special Permit in the Water Supply Protection Overlay District. The applicant shall comply with all application requirements for Special Permits contained in Section 5. The application shall include the following information where pertinent:

- a. Provisions to prevent contamination of groundwater by petroleum products, hazardous materials or wastes;
- b. Drainage recharge features and provisions to prevent loss of recharge;
- c. Provisions to control soil erosion, sedimentation and soil compaction;
- d. Provisions to prevent seepage from sewer pipes;
- e. A complete list of chemicals, pesticides, fuels and other potentially hazardous materials to be used or stored on the premises in quantities greater than those associated with normal household use. Every business using or storing such hazardous materials shall file a definitive operating plan which shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Williamsburg Board of Health and all other applicable local, state and federal regulations.
- f. Evidence of compliance with the regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act, 310 CMR 30.

8.62 Review of Special Permits in the Water Supply Protection Overlay District

- a. The Zoning Board of Appeals shall follow all procedures for Special Permits as provided in Section 5.
- b. The Zoning Board of Appeals may grant the Special Permit only upon finding that the proposed use meets the standards in Section 5.1 of this Bylaw. In addition, the Zoning Board of Appeals must find that the proposed use will:
 - 1) In no way, during construction or thereafter, adversely affect the existing or potential quality or quantity of water that is available in the Water Supply Protection Overlay District; and
 - 2) Be designed to avoid substantial disturbance of the soils, topography, drainage, vegetation and other water related natural characteristics of the site to be developed.
- c. A Special Permit under this section shall not be granted unless the application materials include, in the Board's opinion, sufficiently detailed, definite and credible information to support positive findings in relation to the standards given in 8.61.

Article 33 Moved and seconded that the town vote to amend the Zoning By-law, Section 1. Village Mixed, by **adding** the following after the phrase 'Bridge Street from Route 9 to South Main Street;:
All parcels having frontage on South Main St. from the intersection with Fort Hill Rd. South to the Northampton line;
Passed Unanimously

Article 34 Moved and seconded that the town vote to transfer the sum of up to \$6,000 from the Highway Labor account and the sum of up to \$4,000 from the Highway Road Maintenance account to the Garage Maintenance Account for FY05.
Passed Unanimously

Article 15 Moved and seconded to authorize the Moderator to choose a committee to expend the income from the Whiting Street Fund.
The Whiting Street Fund gets Christmas gifts for families in need.
Passed Unanimously

Article 16 Moved and seconded that the town vote to empower the Board of Selectmen, Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Board of Appeals, Finance Committee, and the Trustees of Libraries to appoint their own members to town departments at such salaries or wage rates as shall be established by the Board of Selectmen.
Passed Unanimously

Article 17 Moved and seconded that the town vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 217,056.00 composed of the amounts listed below, for the purpose of operating and maintaining the town's water system, including the laying of mains in fiscal 2006, and take said sum from Water Revenue. Passed Unanimously

Salaries	\$ 2,800.00
Expenses	\$ 61,375.00
Debt Service	\$ 152,881.00
Total	\$ 217,056.00

Article 18 Moved and seconded that the town vote to appropriate \$ 142,137.50 composed of the amounts listed below, for the purpose of operating, maintaining and constructing the town sewer system for fiscal year 2006, and take said sum from Sewer Revenue.
Passed Unanimously

Salaries	\$ 2,800.00
Sewer Construction	\$ 30,000.00
Operation & Maintenance	\$ 76,250.00
<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>\$ 33,087.50</u>
Total	\$ 142,137.50

Article 20 Departmental Revolving Funds Authorization.

Moved and seconded that the town vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005.

Moved and seconded to amend the amount of the Planning Board spending limit to \$15,000.
Accepted a friendly amendment to increase the Spending Limit to \$30,000. Amendment - Passed Majority
Entire Article as amended – Passed Unanimously

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY06 Spending Limit
Gas Inspector Revolving Fund	Gas Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 1,500.00
Electrical Inspector Revolving Fund	Electrical Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 7,500.00
Plumbing Inspector Revolving Fund	Plumbing Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 3,500.00
Transfer Station Open Box Revolving Fund	Board of Health	Fees and charges for services related to the Transfer Station and disposal areas.	Disposal costs of the open box and management of the Transfer Station and disposal areas.	\$18,000.00
Planning Board Revolving Fund	Planning Board	Fees charged specific to proposed sub-divisions within Williamsburg and new construction	Expenses associated with proposed sub-divisions within Williamsburg and other related expenses associated with new buildings	\$ 30,000.00
Dog Control Revolving Fund	Town Clerk	Fees specific to dogs	Expenses associated with licensing and controlling dogs and to pay the Dog Officer salary.	\$ 5,000.00

Recreation Commission Revolving Fund	Recreation Commission	Fees specific to recreation programs	Pay cost of operating recreation programs.	\$30,000.00
Council on Aging Revolving Fund	Council on Aging Executive Director	Fees specific to advertising in the newsletter	Pay for printing and distribution of the Council on Aging newsletter.	\$ 2,000.00
Total Spending Limit				\$97,500.00

Article 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund and determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action thereon. Moved and seconded to take No Action

Article 22 Moved and seconded that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$675.00 for the purchase of a heating system for the town offices. (this article was to bring the Treasurer and Accountant books in sync)
Passed Unanimously

Article 23 Moved and seconded to appropriate the sum of \$235,000.00 for the purchase of a new fire engine and to take said sum from borrowing contingent upon the approval of the voters of a debt exclusion under prop 2 ½, so called. Passed Unanimously

Article 24 Moved and seconded to appropriate the sum of up to \$119,157.00 for the purchase of a new sweeper for the Highway Department and to take said sum from borrowing contingent upon the approval of the voters of a debt exclusion under prop 2 ½, so called. (hand count: aye -111, nay -4)
Passed by 2/3rds

Article 25 Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$35,266.00 for the purchase of a new one-ton pick-up truck for the Highway Department and to take said sum from borrowing.
Passed Unanimously

Moved and seconded to recess the town meeting until Monday May 16, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Anne T. Dunphy Gymnasium.

The Moderator called the continued meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The Board of Selectmen presented the 2004 Annual Town Report and dedication to Henry Warner. After other announcements the moderator called for a motion under Article 19.

Article 19 Moved and seconded to fix a salary and compensation of all elected and appointed officers of the town for the twelve month period ending June 30, 2006, as provided in Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws as amended, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the period as follows: Each section was moved individually as follows.

General Government:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,527.00 for the purpose of General Government and to raise \$250,527.00 of said sum by taxation and appropriate \$50,000 from Free Cash.

Passed Unanimously

Description	Total Moved By Finance Committee <u>2006</u>	Passed by Town Meeting <u>2006</u>
<u>General Government</u>		
Moderator Labor	256	256
Selectboard Salaries	7,144	7,144
Selectboard Expenses	3,000	3,000
Advertising	1,000	1,000
Parking Clerk Labor	256	256
Parking Clerk Expenses	50	50
Constable's Salary	256	256
Constable Elections	200	200
Administrative Asst. (Town Sec.) Salary	23,422	23,422
Independent Audit	9,000	9,000
Elector Oliver Smith Will	26	26
Finance Committee Stipends	3,229	3,229
Finance Committee Secretary	800	800
Finance Committee Chairman's Stipend	154	154
Finance Committee Expenses	600	600
Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000
Capital Planning Labor	282	282
Capital Planning Expenses	125	125
Town Accountant's Salary	15,605	15,605
Town Accountant's Assistant	4,329	4,329
Town Accountant's Expenses	1,170	1,170
Assessor's Salaries	7,144	7,144
Assessor's Labor	6,461	6,461
Assessor's Expenses	2,800	2,800
Assessor's CAMA Fee	1,500	1,500
Assessors Revaluation	5,000	5,000
Treasurer's Salary	16,078	16,078
Treasurer's Assistant Salary	2,627	2,627
Treasurer's Expenses	4,500	4,500

General Government Continued	Amount Moved	Amount Approved
Treasurer's Certification Stipend	1,000	1,000
Town Collector's Salary	23,422	23,422
Town Collector's Certification Stipend	1,000	1,000
Town Collector's Expenses	9,630	9,630
Town Counsel	17,000	17,000
Town Clerk's Salary	11,426	11,426
Assistant to Town Clerk	5,056	5,056
Town Clerk's Expenses	1,040	1,040
Elections / Registration	3,995	3,995
Town Meeting Expense	240	240
Street Listing	960	960
Conservation Commission Labor	256	256
Conservation Commission Expenses	3,100	3,100
Planning Board	1,500	1,500
Appeals Board	1,500	1,500
Custodial Services	9,178	9,178
Town Office Expense	3,200	3,200
Town Buildings / Grounds	25,000	25,000
Town Telephones	6,000	6,000
Technical (web site, etc.)	2,000	2,000
Town Reports	2,250	2,250
Copier Maintenance	4,500	4,500
First Call for Help	260	260
Subtotal General Government	\$300,527.00	\$300,527.00

Protection, Persons & Property:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$226,726 for the purpose of Protection, Persons & Property and to raise said sum by taxation. Passed Majority

Description	Moved by	Actual
	Finance	Approved by
	2006	Town Meeting
		2006
<u>Protection, Persons & Property</u>		
Police Chief's Salary	12,519	12,519
Police Department Labor	106,918	106,918
Police Department Expenses	26,857	26,857
Police Department records software	3,354	3,354
Fire Department Salaries	12,896	12,896
Fire Department Labor	14,420	14,420
Fire Department Expenses	20,000	20,000
Ambulance Service	26,454	26,454
Civil Defense Director's Salary (fire chief)	308	308
Tree Warden	3,000	3,000
Subtotal Protection, Persons & Property	\$226,726	\$226,726

Education:

Stipends

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,281 for the purpose of the School Committee Stipends and to raise said sum from taxation. Passed - Unanimous

Local School:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,446,382 for the purpose of the Local Schools and to raise said sum by taxation. Passed Unanimously

Vocational School:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$214,470 for the purpose of Vocational Schools and to raise said sum by taxation. Passed – unanimous

Hampshire Regional School:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,066,545 for the Hampshire Regional School Budget and to raise \$994,980 of said sum by taxation and \$71,565 from Free Cash

Moved and seconded to amend the motion from \$1,066,545 to \$1,184,857 for the Hampshire Regional School Budget and to raise \$1,113,292 by taxation with \$118,312 contingent on a proposition 2 ½ override and \$71,565 from Free Cash. Passed by a 2/3rds majority (voice) Entire motion passed by a 2/3rds majority (voice)

Description	Proposed by Finance Cmte <u>2006</u>	Passed at Town Meeting <u>2006</u>
<u>Education</u>		
School Committee Stipends	1,281	1,281
Local School	1,446,382	1,446,382
Vocational School	214,470	214,470
Hampshire Regional School	1,066,545	1,184,857 *
Subtotal Education	\$2,728,678	\$2,846,990
* contingent on override - \$118,312		

Public Works and Facilities:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$392,653 for the purpose of Public Works and Facilities and to raise said sum by taxation. Passed Unanimously

Description	Proposed by Finance Cmte <u>2006</u>	Passed at Town Meeting <u>2006</u>
<u>Public Works and Facilities</u>		
Highway Labor	142,753	142,753
Highway Maintenance Expenses	51,175	51,175
Highway Garage/Equipment Maintenance	37,805	37,805
Highway Surplus Equipment	2,000	2,000
Highway Winter Overtime	9,471	9,471
Highway Winter Expenses	55,480	55,480
Street Lighting	7,200	7,200
Transfer Station Labor - (Board of Health)	17,484	17,484
Transfer Station Expenses - (Board of Health)	68,810	68,810
Cemetery Commission	475	475
Subtotal Public Works and Facilities	\$392,653	\$392,653

Human Services:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,954 for the purpose of Human Services and to raise said sum by taxation.

Passed Unanimously

Description	Proposed by Finance Cmte <u>2006</u>	Passed at Town Meeting <u>2006</u>
<u>Human Services</u>		
Board of Health Salaries	3,152	3,152
Board Of Health Expenses	300	300
Animal Inspector	1,600	1,600
Public Health Nurse	2,154	2,154
Council on Aging Director	9,982	9,982
Council on Aging Director Assistant	13,865	13,865
Meal Site Staffing	2,369	2,369
Council on Aging expenses	2,650	2,650
COA HEN Program	4,000	4,000
Veterans' Agent Salary	1,082	1,082
Veteran's Agent Expenses	400	400
Veteran's Benefits	3,000	3,000
American's w/ disabilities expenses	400	400
Subtotal Human Services	\$44,954	\$44,954

Culture and Recreation:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,396 for the purpose of Culture and Recreation and to raise said sum by taxation.

Amendment:

Moved and seconded to amend the Library Salaries and Labor line to \$57,020 and the Library books and Supplies to \$29,361 with the total increase of \$7,093 contingent on a general override.

Amendment: Defeated (hand count: Aye – 42, Nay – 53)

Original Motion: Passed Unanimously

Description	Proposed by Finance Cmte <u>2006</u>	Passed at Town Meeting <u>2006</u>
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>		
Library salaries and labor	51,009	51,009
Library books and supplies	28,279	28,279
Library Maintenance	7,565	7,565
Library utilities	9,440	9,440
Athletic Fields	4,000	4,000
Recreation Labor/Expenses	4,203	4,203
Historical Commission Expense	500	500
Historical Commission Survey	0	0
Veterans Recognition	400	400
Subtotal Culture and Recreation	\$105,396	\$105,396

Debt Service:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$344,329 for the purpose of Debt Service and to raise said sum by taxation.

Passed Unanimously

Description	Proposed by	Passed at Town
	Finance Cmte 2006	Meeting 2006
<u>Debt Service</u>		
HRHS Debt Service for Construction	181,181	181,181
Local School Loan Principle Payment	36,850	36,850
Local School Loan interest	1,433	1,433
Wood Waste Capping Loan	20,000	20,000
Wood Waste Capping Interest	3,770	3,770
Fire Truck Loan	19,000	19,000
Fire Truck Interest	2,754	2,754
Grader Principle	13,500	13,500
Grader Interest	676	676
Library principle	37,000	37,000
Library Interest	15,040	15,040
Highway Sander principle	8,500	8,500
Highway Sander interest	421	421
Town Office Heating System Principle	4,000	4,000
Town Office Heating System Interest	204	204
Short Term Borrowing interest	0	0
Subtotal Debt Service (including HRHS)	344,329	344,329

Intergovernmental Expenses:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum \$256,539 for the purpose of Intergovernmental Expenses and to raise said sum from taxation.

Passed Unanimously

<u>Intergovernmental Expenses</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>
State Air Pollution (sub.from cherry sheet)	570	570
State RMV non-renewal (from cherry sheet)	1,040	1,040
Charter School	128,291	128,291
School Choice	37,262	37,262
Hampshire Council of Governments	13,350	13,350
Regional Transit Charge	26,282	26,282
Building Inspection	17,933	17,933
Hilltown Resource Management (B.H.)	9,000	9,000
Foothills Health District (B.H.)	22,811	22,811
Subtotal Intergovernmental Expenses	\$256,539	\$256,539

Miscellaneous Expenses:

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$527,585 for the purpose of Miscellaneous Expenses and to raise said sum by taxation. Passed Unanimously

Description	Proposed by	Passed at Town
	Finance Cmte 2006	Meeting 2006
<u>Fixed Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
County Retirement	114,273	114,273
Workers Compensation	15,530	15,530
Unemployment Insurance	500	500
Health Insurance	330,000	330,000
Social Security/Medicare	27,000	27,000
General Insurance	40,282	40,282
Subtotal Fixed Misc. Exp.	\$527,585	\$527,585

Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,045,699 for the purpose of running the town and to raise \$4,924,134 of said sum by taxation with \$118,312 contingent on a proposition 2 ½ override and to appropriate \$121,565 from free cash.

Passed unanimously

Description	Proposed by	Passed at Town
	Finance Cmte 2006	Meeting 2006
Total Operating Budget	\$4,927,387	\$5,045,699

Article 26 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$7,500 for the purchase of a new snow plow and equipment for the Highway Department and determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action thereon.

Took no action – (agreement Selectmen and Highway Superintendent)

Article 27 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$5,000 for structural design documents for an addition for the Highway Department and determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action thereon.

Took no action – (agreement Selectmen and Highway Superintendent)

- Article 28 Moved and seconded to authorize the municipality to enter into an inter-municipal joint purchasing agreement pursuant to G.L. Ch. 40 §4A for the provision of technology solutions and related consulting and support services with the Community Software Consortium, preserving the rights and privileges established in prior agreement(s). The duration of this agreement, in accordance with G.L. c.40, §4A, shall be for no more than 25 years, with the ability of the Town to withdraw from this agreement at any time, in accordance with the provisions of the agreement and the statute. The annual obligation of the municipality under this agreement will be paid from the participating departments' expense appropriations. The annual obligation is determined by membership vote pursuant to the consortium's by-laws.
Passed majority
- Article 29 Moved and seconded to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan, as prepared by the Capital Planning Committee and, whose budget has been approved by the Finance Committee, including recommended capital improvements for the following five fiscal years.
Passed Unanimous
- Article 30 Moved and seconded to approve a 10 year contract with Recycle America Alliance and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection for the receipt and processing of the town's recyclable materials at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility or take any other action thereon. The contract, the Springfield Recycling Facility Municipal Agreement, begins on April 1st, 2005 and under its provisions, the Town will receive \$15.67 per ton of recyclables plus a share of the revenue generated from the sale of recyclable materials.
Passed Unanimous
- Article 31 Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$20,000 for repairs to and/or new roofing over the section of the Haydenville Fire Station currently occupied by the Police Department and to take said sum from borrowing.
Passed Unanimous
- Article 32 Moved and seconded to appropriate the sum of \$7,667.28 Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency Reimbursement Grant receipts for the purpose of the Highland Ambulance EMS Capital Reserve Fund.
Passed Unanimously

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Filed: May 31, 2005

Charlene L. Nardi
Town Clerk

Copies to: Division of Local Services, Town Council, Accountant, Assessors,
Accountant, Selectmen, Treasurer, All Committees and Boards

Town of Williamsburg
Special Election - June 27, 2005

The election was held in the Anne T. Dunphy Gymnasium. The polls were open at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m. The Wardens were Winona Lockwood and Dot Lucey. The poll workers were Maureen Mathers, Kathleen Luce, Sheila Dufresne, Doris Taylor, Bernadine Magdalenski, Don Owens, Maryann Ciuffreda and Jeff Ciuffreda.

- A special thanks to Carol Conz of the Williamsburg Pharmacy for bringing fans to keep the room cool.

There are 1,768 voters. The total ballots cast: 319 - %18 voter turnout

Question 1: Override

Shall the Town of Williamsburg be allowed to assess an additional \$118,312 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of the Hampshire Regional School budget for the fiscal year beginning July First, Two Thousand and Five?

FAILED

Blanks - 2 Yes - 130 No - 187

Question 2: Debt Exclusion

Shall the Town of Williamsburg be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to purchase a new fire engine?

PASSED

Blanks - 1 Yes - 171 No - 147

Question 3: Debt Exclusion

Shall the Town of Williamsburg be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to purchase a new sweeper for the Highway Department?

FAILED

Blanks - 3 Yes - 112 No - 204

A True Copy Attest: Charlene L. Nardi

Filed: June 28, 2005

**Town of Williamsburg
Special Election – September 12, 2005**

The election was held in the Anne T. Dunphy Cafeteria. The polls were open at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m. The Wardens were Bess Lojko and Winona Lockwood. The poll workers were Shelia Dufresne, , Kathleen Luce, Dot Lucey, Bernadine Magdalenski, Don Owens, Pat Casterline, Janet Nurczyk and Jeff Ciuffreda.

There are 1,774 registered voters (inactive and active). The total ballots cast: 404 - %22 voter turnout

Question 1: Override

Shall the Town of Williamsburg be allowed to assess an additional \$33,500 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of the Hampshire Regional School budget for the fiscal year beginning July First, Two Thousand and Five?

PASSED

Blanks – 0

Yes – 217

No- 187

A True Copy Attest: Charlene L. Nardi

Filed: September 14, 2005

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Williamsburg**

**Special Town Meeting
November 14, 2005**

A quorum of 60 being present, the moderator, Eileen Stewart, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Article 1

Moved and seconded to amend article 19: Intergovernmental Expenses of the Annual Town Meeting May 2, 2005 continued on May 16, 2005.

FROM "to raise and appropriate the sum of \$256,539"

TO "raise and appropriate \$63,094" for the purpose of Intergovernmental Expenses and to take said sum from taxation.

Passed - unanimous

<u>Intergovernmental Expenses</u>	<u>2006</u>
Hampshire Council of Governments	13,350
Building Inspection	17,933
Hilltown Resource Management (B.H.)	9,000
Foothills Health District (B.H)	22,811
Subtotal Intergovernmental Expenses	\$63,094

****Explanation:** The dollar figures for State Air Pollution, State RMV non-renewal, Charter School, School Choice and Regional Transit Charge are from our Cherry Sheet. These dollar figures are not raised on town Meeting floor.

Article 2

Moved and seconded to amend article 19: Total Operating Budget of the Annual Town Meeting May 2, 2005 continued on May 16, 2005.

FROM "raise and appropriate \$5,045,699 for the purpose of running the town and to raise \$4,924,134 of said sum by taxation"

TO "raise and appropriate \$4,852,254 for the purpose of running the town and to raise \$4,730,689 of said sum by taxation, with \$118,312 of that amount contingent on a proposition 2 ½ override, and to appropriate \$121,565 from free cash.

Passed - unanimous

<u>Description</u>	<u>2006</u>
Total Operating Budget	<u><u>4,852,254</u></u>

Article 3

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg General Government By-law, Section 2, as follows:

Delete: The annual town meeting shall be held on the first Monday in May of each year at such time and place as shall be stated in the warrant.

Add: The annual town meeting shall be held on the first Monday in June of each year at such time and place as shall be stated in the warrant.

Passed – majority (hand count – aye 39, nay 30)

Article 4

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg General Government By-law, Section 5, as follows,

Delete: The polls at the Annual Town Meeting shall be open for the election town officers from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Add: The polls for the election of town officers will be open on the third Monday in June from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m, with officials elected taking office as of July 1st.

Passed – majority (voice)

Article 5

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks, by **adding to the end of section 1:** “from the full-width of the sidewalk or be subject to a \$50.00 fine per storm.”

Passed – majority (hand count – aye 35, nay 32)

Article 6

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks, section 2, by **inserting the words** “full width of said sidewalk” after the word substance.

Passed – majority (voice)

Article 7

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks, section 2, by **adding to the end of section 2:** “or be subject to a \$50.00 fine per storm.”

Passed – majority (hand count – aye 38, nay 29)

Article 8

Moved and seconded to amend the Williamsburg Government By-law, Highways and sidewalks, by **adding a new section 6** as follows.

Whoever violates any provision of the Highways and Sidewalks section of the By-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by the non-criminal method of disposition as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 21D. The Highway Superintendent, any Police Officer, and the Board of Selectmen of the Town are designated as the enforcing persons for non-criminal disposition enforcement of the Highways and Sidewalks Bylaw.

Amendment: Moved and seconded to amend the article by removing "Police Officer" from the list of designated enforcing persons. **Amendment Passed – majority** (hand count: aye 39, nay 20)

Article as amended: **Passed – majority** (voice)

Article 9

Moved and seconded to take no action. – **Passed - Unanimous**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of up to \$25,000 to purchase the 30,297 sq feet (approximately ¾ acre) section of the former rail bed located behind the town offices, and further described in Book 8483, page 329 in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds and to determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action thereon.

Article 10

Moved and seconded to appropriate the sum of up to \$35,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of replacing or making necessary repairs to the roof of the Old Town Hall on Main Street in Williamsburg Center and to take said sum from the Foundation Reserve Grant.

Passed - Unanimous

Article 11

Moved and seconded to authorize a revolving fund under G.L.44, Sec 53 E ½, that may be spent by the Conservation Commission without further appropriation during fiscal year 2006 to pay for expenses associated with WPA filing fees for administration or enforcement of the Wetlands Protection Act. The Conservation Commission Revolving Fund is to be credited with only those fees specific to NOI (Notice of Intent)/WPA Filing Fees. The Conservation Commission may spend \$5,000 in revolving fund monies for fiscal year 2006.

Passed - Unanimous

Article 12

Moved and seconded to take no action. **Passed - Unanimous**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of up to \$600.00 for the Williamsburg Fire Department for the purpose of replacement of sump pumps to be used by the Fire Department for the pumping of cellars in emergencies and to determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action thereon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Filed: November 30, 2005

Charlene L. Nardi
Town Clerk

Copies to: Division of Local Services, Town Council, Accountant, Assessors, Accountant,
Selectmen, Treasurer, All Committees and Boards

Special Town Meeting - November 16, 2005

The Warrant was posted on November 2, 2005. An amended posting for a clerical error was posted on November 10th.

A quorum (60 registered voters) being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk read the greeting. Town Meeting unanimously nominated and elected Paul Dunphy as temporary moderator for this meeting.

Article 1

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a special act providing that legislation be adopted as follows, provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court; and provided further that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition;

An Act Relative to Certain Property Tax Assessments in the Town of Williamsburg

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the Town of Williamsburg, acting through its Board of Assessors, may abate, within 30 days after the effective date of this act, a portion of the fiscal year 2003 real estate taxes assessed on certain parcels for the sole purpose of remedying building valuation errors caused by the conversion of the assessors' computer system.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Discussion:

Bill 1694 will be heard in the Senate and the House 3 times after the New Year. It is the hope of the Town of Williamsburg that this legislation will pass final enactment in Spring 2006. As there are over 2000 bills in front of the legislature, Town Meeting voters were encouraged to contact State Representative Kulik and Senator Nuciforo's offices to let them know how important this bill is to the voters of Williamsburg.

The article Passed Unanimously.

Moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

A True Copy Attest:

Charlene L. Nardi
Town Clerk of Williamsburg

cc: Accountant, Assessors, DOR, Finance Cmte, Selectboard, Town Attorney, Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The following is a listing of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Williamsburg for the year ending June 30, 2005.

- Combined Balance Sheet
- Statement of General Fund Revenues and Expenditures-Budget and Actual
- Detailed Statement of General Fund Expenditures – Budget and Actual
- Detailed Statement of Other Fund Expenditures
- Statement of Enterprise Fund Revenues and Expenditures

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly J. Hyslip
Town Accountant

Town of Williamsburg
June 30, 2005

<u>ASSETS</u>	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Pooled cash and equivalents	721,505.07	715,804.98	623,276.83	81,718.35	339,094.06	
Investment Accounts					1,121,933.10	
Receivables:						
Property Taxes-net	184,290.21					
Excise taxes	50,542.07					
Tax title and possession	39,528.65					
Rollbacks and betterments	4,232.51					
Due from others	30.10				7,689.19	
Water & Sewer			241,410.29			
Loans receivable					60,023.65	
Due from other Governments		236,912.96				
Amount to be Provided For:						
Water Improvement			1,144,000.00			
Sewer Construction			250,000.00			
School Reconstruction						73,700.00
Fire Truck						93,000.00
Wood Waste Dump						120,000.00
Library Renovations						427,000.00
Highway Sander						16,500.00
Heating System						8,000.00
Grader						26,500.00
TOTAL ASSETS	1,000,128.61	952,717.94	2,258,687.12	81,718.35	1,528,740.00	764,700.00
<u>LIABILITIES</u>						
Warrants & Accounts Payable	\$54,440.07	\$5,061.84	\$136,034.51		\$1,280.91	
Accrued Payroll	\$158,074.38					
Deferred Revenue:						
Property Taxes	184,290.21					
Tax Liens	34,357.57					
Tax Possessions	5,171.08					
Motor Vehicle	50,244.07					
Other	4,530.51		241,410.29		60,023.65	
State Highway Aid		236,912.96				
Long Term Debt Payable			1,394,000.00			764,700.00
Payroll Withholdings					18,951.40	
Due to Others					3,098.44	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	491,107.89	241,974.80	1,771,444.80	0.00	83,354.40	764,700.00
<u>FUND EQUITY</u>						
Retained Earnings			315,517.32			
Reserved for Continuing Appropriations	65,926.12		154,241.37			
Reserved for Expenditures	125,565.00					
Reserved for Special Purposes					282,837.53	
Reserved for Endowment					1,162,548.07	
Fund Balance-Designated		710,743.14	17,483.63	81,718.35		
Fund Balance-Undesignated	317,529.60					
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	509,020.72	710,743.14	487,242.32	81,718.35	1,445,385.60	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$1,000,128.61	\$952,717.94	\$2,258,687.12	\$81,718.35	\$1,528,740.00	\$764,700.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Town of Williamsburg

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures Budgetary Basis and Actual - General Fund

Year Ended June 30, 2005

	<u>General Fund</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<u>Revenue</u>			
Taxes:			
Real Estate	3,548,413	3,451,014	-97,400
Personal Property	56,021	52,824	-3,197
Motor Vehicle and other Excise	244,595	289,617	45,022
Penalties & Interest	16,539	16,373	-166
State Aid	720,671	749,188	28,517
Other Departmental Receipts	72,964	77,142	4,178
Earnings on Invested Funds	13,269	22,634	9,365
Court Fines	26,573	18,083	-8,491
Miscellaneous	160,988	131,494	-29,494
Total Revenues	4,860,033	4,808,367	-51,666
<u>Expenditures</u>			
General Government	278,019	238,639	-39,380
Public Safety	252,009	244,742	-7,267
Education	2,858,496	2,856,270	-2,226
Public Works	372,954	369,163	-3,791
Human Services	45,832	44,372	-1,460
Culture and Recreation	96,071	93,334	-2,737
Debt Service	188,344	188,273	-71
Intergovernmental Expenses	255,400	221,463	-33,937
Miscellaneous	491,490	481,282	-10,208
Total Expenditures	4,838,614	4,737,538	-101,076
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>	21,419	70,829	49,410

FY2005 Expense Report (All Entries) - General Fund

Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>							
Moderator 015114-110	125.00	250.00		375.00	375.00		100
Selectboard Salaries 015122-110		6,970.00		6,970.00	6,970.00		100
Selectboard Expenses 015122-700		3,000.00	42.69	3,042.69	3,042.69		100
Advertising 015124-700		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Parking Clerk Labor 015126-110		250.00		250.00	250.00		100
Parking Clerk Expenses 015126-700	45.25	50.00		95.25	95.25		100
Constable - Salary 015127-110		250.00		250.00	250.00		100
Constable - Elections 015127-111		200.00		200.00	200.00		100
Selectmen-Adm Asst Lab 015129-110		22,851.00		22,851.00	22,851.00		100
Independent Audit 015129-300		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00		100
Elector Oliver Smith W 015129-700		25.00		25.00		25.00	0
Finance Comm Stipends 015131-110		3,150.00		3,150.00	2,743.00	407.00	87
Finance Comm Secretary 015131-111		800.00		800.00	242.88	557.12	30
Finance Comm Chair Sti 015131-112		150.00		150.00	150.00		100
Finance Comm Expenses 015131-700		600.00	31.04	631.04	631.04		100
Reserve Fund 015132-780		50,000.00	(46,983.61)	3,016.39	112.49	2,903.90	4
Capital Planning Labor 015133-110		275.00		275.00		275.00	0
Capital Planning Expen 015133-700		125.00		125.00	125.00		100
Town Accountant's Sala 015135-110		15,225.00		15,225.00	15,225.00		100
Town Accountant Assist 015135-111		4,224.00		4,224.00	4,224.00		100
Town Accountant's Expe 015135-700		1,110.00		1,110.00	1,110.00		100
Assessors' Salaries 015141-110		6,970.00		6,970.00	6,970.00		100
Assessors' Labor 015141-111		6,304.00		6,304.00	5,128.92	1,175.08	81
Assessors' Expenses 015141-700		2,800.00		2,800.00	2,800.00		100
Assessors - CAMA Fee 015141-701		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,250.00	250.00	83
Assessors - Revaluatio 015142-700	6,157.51	5,000.00		11,157.51	2,331.00	8,826.51	21
Treasurer's Salary 015145-110		15,686.00		15,686.00	15,686.00		100
Treasurer's Assistant 015145-111		2,563.00		2,563.00	2,563.00		100
Treasurer's Cert Stipe 015145-112		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Treasurer's Expenses 015145-700		4,500.00		4,500.00	4,170.77	329.23	93
Town Collector's Salar 015146-110		22,851.00		22,851.00	22,851.00		100
Town Coll Cert Stipend 015146-111		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Town Collector's Expen 015146-700		9,630.00		9,630.00	7,893.86	1,736.14	82
Town Counsel 015151-300		16,400.00	10,838.31	27,238.31	27,238.31		100
Town Clerk's Salary 015161-110		11,147.00		11,147.00	11,147.00		100
Town Clerk Assistant 015161-111		4,933.00		4,933.00	4,933.00		100
Town Clerk's Expenses 015161-700	204.38	1,000.00		1,204.38	584.17	620.21	49
Elections/Registration 015162-700		5,778.00	792.00	6,570.00	6,222.47	347.53	95
Town Meeting Expense 015163-700		544.00		544.00	417.95	126.05	77
Street Listing 015164-700		900.00		900.00	870.93	29.07	97
Conservation Comm Labo 015171-110		250.00		250.00	156.63	93.37	63
Conservation Comm Expe 015171-700		3,100.00		3,100.00	1,284.16	1,815.84	41
Planning Board 015175-700		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,249.38	250.62	83
Board of Appeals 015176-700		1,500.00	498.04	1,998.04	1,995.07	2.97	100
Maint Conservation Lan 015179-700	5,000.00			5,000.00	5,000.00		100
Agricultural Restricti 015179-710	4,000.00			4,000.00	4,000.00		100
Custodial Services 015192-110		8,954.00		8,954.00	7,858.61	1,095.39	88

Expense Category / Account		Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
Town Office Expense 015192-700			3,200.00		3,200.00	2,981.82	218.18	93
Town Buildings/Grounds 015192-701			18,610.00	9,033.09	27,643.09	27,643.09		100
Town Telephone Expense 015192-702			5,000.00	600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00		100
Town Internet Services 015193-700			2,000.00		2,000.00	1,556.01	443.99	78
Town Report 015195-700			2,250.00		2,250.00	2,250.00		100
Copier Maintenance 015199-700			4,000.00		4,000.00	3,144.30	855.70	79
First Call for Help 015199-702			260.00		260.00		260.00	0
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		15,532.14	287,635.00	(25,148.44)	278,018.70	255,374.80	22,643.90	92

PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY								
Police Chief's Salary 015210-110			12,214.00		12,214.00	10,114.14	2,099.86	83
Police Dept Labor 015210-111			104,310.00		104,310.00	103,496.70	813.30	99
Police Dept Expenses 015210-700			25,967.00	471.20	26,438.20	26,066.49	371.71	99
Police Records Softwar 015210-701			3,354.00		3,354.00	3,354.00		100
Police Cruiser FY05 015210-800			21,516.00		21,516.00	21,478.50	37.50	100
Fire Dept Salaries 015220-110			12,581.00		12,581.00	11,844.64	736.36	94
Fire Dept Labor 015220-111			14,068.00	4,641.10	18,709.10	18,470.39	238.71	99
Fire Dept Expenses 015220-700		2,090.00	19,000.00		21,090.00	20,949.65	140.35	99
Fire Dept Vehicle 015220-801		951.66			951.66	951.66		100
Ambulance Service 015231-690			27,545.00		27,545.00	27,545.00		100
Civil Defense Dir Sala 015291-110			300.00		300.00		300.00	0
Shade Tree Committee 015294-700			3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		100
TOTAL PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY		3,041.66	243,855.00	5,112.30	252,008.96	247,271.17	4,737.79	98

EDUCATION								
School Comm Stipends 015300-110			1,250.00		1,250.00	1,250.00		100
Local Schools 015300-700		141.26	1,464,588.00		1,464,729.26	1,464,729.26		100
Vocational School 015310-700			190,000.00	11,655.43	201,655.43	201,655.43		100
Hampshire Regional 015320-690			985,726.00		985,726.00	985,000.00	726.00	100
Hamp Regional Capital 015320-700			203,635.00		203,635.00	203,635.00		100
School Building Needs 015330-700		1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00		100
TOTAL EDUCATION		1,641.26	2,845,199.00	11,655.43	2,858,495.69	2,857,769.69	726.00	100

PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES								
Highway Labor 015422-110			139,271.00	(6,000.00)	133,271.00	130,294.96	2,976.04	98
Highway Road Maintenanc 015422-700			47,000.00	(3,599.28)	43,400.72	43,400.72		100
H'way Garage/Equip Mai 015422-701			35,600.00	9,599.28	45,199.28	43,429.50	1,769.78	96
Highway Surplus Equipm 015422-800			2,000.00		2,000.00	1,226.00	774.00	61
Winter Overtime 015423-110			9,240.00		9,240.00	8,840.79	399.21	96
Winter Expenses 015423-700			46,500.00		46,500.00	50,652.76	(4,152.76)	109
Street Lighting 015424-700			7,000.00		7,000.00	7,286.30	(286.30)	104
Transfer Station Labor 015433-110			17,058.00		17,058.00	17,058.00		100
Transfer Station 015433-700			68,810.00		68,810.00	68,810.00		100
Cemetery Commission 015491-700			475.00		475.00	475.00		100

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TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES	0.00	372,954.00	0.00	372,954.00	371,474.03	1,479.97	100
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>							
Board of Health Salari 015511-110		3,075.00		3,075.00	3,075.00		100
Board of Health Expens 015511-700		300.00		300.00	106.00	194.00	35
Animal Inspection 015519-700		1,600.00		1,600.00	1,150.00	450.00	72
Public Health Nurse 015522-700		2,101.00		2,101.00	2,049.93	51.07	98
Council on Aging Direc 015541-110		9,739.00		9,739.00	9,739.00		100
COA Office Assistant 015541-111		13,527.00		13,527.00	13,527.00		100
Meal Site Staffing 015541-112		2,311.00		2,311.00	2,311.00		100
Council on Aging Expen 015541-700		2,650.00		2,650.00	2,650.00		100
COA HEN Program 015541-701		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00		100
Veterans' Agent Salary 015543-110		1,056.00		1,056.00	1,056.00		100
Veterans' Agent Expens 015543-699		400.00		400.00	35.00	365.00	9
Veterans' Benefits 015543-700		3,000.00	1,672.71	4,672.71	4,672.71		100
Amer with Disab Expens 015545-700		400.00		400.00		400.00	0
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	0.00	44,159.00	1,672.71	45,831.71	44,371.64	1,460.07	97
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>							
LIBRARY PAYROLL 015611-111		49,744.00		49,744.00	49,744.00		100
Libraries - Maintenanc 015611-700		3,347.00		3,347.00	3,347.00		100
Libraries-Books&Suppli 015611-701		25,420.00		25,420.00	25,420.00		100
Libraries - Utilities 015611-702		7,790.00		7,790.00	7,790.00		100
Athletic Fields 015630-700		4,000.00		4,000.00	3,705.17	294.83	93
Recreation Labor/Expen 015630-701		4,100.00		4,100.00	3,944.02	155.98	96
Historical Commission 015691-700		500.00		500.00	35.00	465.00	7
Historical Comm Survey 015691-710	770.00			770.00	770.00		100
Veterans' Recognition 015692-700		400.00		400.00		400.00	0
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	770.00	95,301.00	0.00	96,071.00	94,755.19	1,315.81	99
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>							
Prin - School Debt 015710-911		36,850.00		36,850.00	36,850.00		100
Prin - Capping Wood Wa 015710-913		20,000.00		20,000.00	20,000.00		100
Prin-Backhoe Debt 015710-919		27,000.00		27,000.00	27,000.00		100
Prin-Fire Truck Debt 015710-920		19,000.00		19,000.00	19,000.00		100
Prin - Grader 015710-921		13,500.00		13,500.00	13,500.00		100
Prin - Library 015710-922		32,000.00		32,000.00	32,000.00		100
Prin - Sander 015710-923		8,500.00		8,500.00	8,500.00		100
Prin - T H Heating 015710-924		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00		100
Int - School Debt 015750-916		1,460.00		1,460.00	1,459.26	0.74	100
Int - Capping Wood Was 015750-918		4,270.00		4,270.00	4,270.00		100
Int-Backhoe Debt 015750-919		675.00		675.00	675.00		100
Int-Fire Truck Debt 015750-920		3,299.00		3,299.00	3,229.00	70.00	98
Int - Grader 015750-921		1,013.00		1,013.00	1,013.00		100
Int - Library 015750-922		15,840.00		15,840.00	15,840.00		100
Int - Sander 015750-923		633.00		633.00	633.00		100

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Int - T H Heating 015750-924		304.00		304.00	304.00		100
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	0.00	188,344.00	0.00	188,344.00	188,273.26	70.74	100
<u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES</u>							
State - Air Pollution 015820-640		1,090.00		1,090.00	545.00	545.00	50
State - RMV Non-Renewal 015820-641		1,160.00		1,160.00	1,040.00	120.00	90
State - Charter School 015820-642		88,434.00		88,434.00	112,704.00	(24,270.00)	127
State - School Choice 015820-643		48,159.00		48,159.00	32,669.00	15,490.00	68
Hamp Council of Gov'ts 015830-622		13,350.00		13,350.00	13,350.00		100
Regional Transit Chrg 015840-663		56,128.00		56,128.00	25,641.00	30,487.00	46
Hilltown Resource MgtC 015840-664		9,000.00		9,000.00	8,751.66	248.34	97
Foothills Health Distr 015840-666		22,255.00		22,255.00	10,938.00	11,317.00	49
Building Inspection Co 015840-667		15,824.00		15,824.00	15,824.00		100
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES	0.00	255,400.00	0.00	255,400.00	221,462.66	33,937.34	87
<u>MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</u>							
County Retirement 015911-170		102,540.00		102,540.00	102,540.00		100
Workers' Compensation 015912-700		14,380.00		14,380.00	11,245.00	3,135.00	78
Unemployment Insurance 015913-170		500.00		500.00	500.00		100
Health Insurance 015914-170		304,950.00		304,950.00	304,950.00		100
Social Security/Medica 015914-171		25,000.00		25,000.00	24,200.55	799.45	97
General Insurance 015945-740		36,620.00	7,500.00	44,120.00	41,683.00	2,437.00	94
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	0.00	483,990.00	7,500.00	491,490.00	485,118.55	6,371.45	99
TOTAL EXPENSES:	20,985.06	4,816,837.00	792.00	4,838,614.06	4,765,870.99	72,743.07	98
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FY2005 Expenses Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

Fund Number / Expense Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
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FUND 03						
TOTAL FUND 03:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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FUND 23 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION						
Chapter 235 235422-904			48,541.46	48,541.46	48,541.46	
Chapter 246 235422-905			47,955.78	47,955.78	47,955.78	
TOTAL FUND 23:	0.00	0.00	96,497.24	96,497.24	96,497.24	0.00
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FUND 24 SCHOOL FUNDS						
Lawrence Fisher Fund 245017-000	2,308.85			2,308.85		2,308.85
Pre-School Program 245300-001	27,624.91		76,093.55	103,718.46	99,206.60	4,511.86
Title I 245300-002	13,138.12		15,858.00	28,996.12	13,530.90	15,465.22
School Building Use 245300-004	5,445.11		1,868.95	7,314.06		7,314.06
After School Program 245300-005	3,778.55		1,168.40	4,946.95		4,946.95
School Choice 245300-006	329,297.15		271,479.00	600,776.15	81,155.50	519,620.65
Extended Day Kindergarten 245300-008			19,499.00	19,499.00		19,499.00
Warren Book Fund 245300-014	487.46			487.46		487.46
Tech Lit Challenge 245300-607	324.00			324.00		324.00
Summer Academic Support 245300-625	3,600.00			3,600.00		3,600.00
School Lunch 245300-700	11,030.72		37,300.96	48,331.68	45,449.22	2,882.46
Kind Enhance Grant 245300-701	1,540.03			1,540.03		1,540.03
Elaine Lawton Fund 245300-800	5,561.17		3,291.90	8,853.07	558.00	8,295.07
TOTAL FUND 24:	404,136.07	0.00	426,559.76	830,695.83	239,900.22	590,795.61
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FUND 25 REVOLVING FUNDS						
Recreation 255400-002	21,397.47		22,040.00	43,437.47	22,581.00	20,856.47
Electrical Inspection 255400-003	85.00		3,560.00	3,645.00	3,660.00	(15.00)
Gas Inspections 255400-004	34.00		691.00	725.00	691.00	34.00
Plumbing Inspections 255400-005	92.00		1,773.00	1,865.00	1,773.00	92.00
Planning Board 255400-006	2,346.99		1,125.00	3,471.99		3,471.99
Dog Control 255400-010	3,831.55		3,327.00	7,158.55	4,285.17	2,873.38
Transfer Station Open Box 255400-011	977.73		17,448.05	18,425.78	8,596.74	9,829.04
Wetlands Protection 255400-012	4,028.75			4,028.75		4,028.75
COA Newsletter 255400-013			550.00	550.00		550.00
TOTAL FUND 25:	32,793.49	0.00	50,514.05	83,307.54	41,586.91	41,720.63
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FUND 26 COUNCIL ON AGING FUNDS						
Highland Valley Elder Ser 265500-001 (185.14)		3,150.00	2,964.86	4,247.52	(1,282.66)
EOEA Formula Grant 265500-004 (	27.70)		2,800.00	2,772.30	1,513.61	1,258.69
Consortium Support 265500-005	39.34		552.77	592.11	263.40	328.71
FRTA 265500-006 (	857.04)		20,852.25	19,995.21	19,995.21	
PVTA 265500-008	238.36		6,629.70	6,868.06	6,670.20	197.86
COA Donation Fund 265500-013	808.80		1,524.41	2,333.21	1,523.54	809.67
EOEA Service Incent Grant 265500-014			3,450.00	3,450.00	3,450.00	

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TOTAL FUND 26:	16.62	0.00	38,959.13	38,975.75	37,663.48	1,312.27
FUND 27 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE						
All Hazards EOP Grant 275291-000 (	24.96)			(24.96)	(24.96)	
Insurance Proceeds-Cruise 275400-000	9,237.50			9,237.50	9,237.50	
Highway FEMA/MEMA 275422-801	2,840.04			2,840.04	2,840.04	
Cultural Council 275600-001	6,778.14		2,061.12	8,839.26	5,446.22	3,393.04
Library - Local 275600-002 (	56.77)		5,112.40	5,055.63	4,805.81	249.82
Library - State 275600-003	74.44		5,706.71	5,781.15	5,179.65	601.50
Library - School 275600-004	6.33		11,000.00	11,006.33	10,525.20	481.13
Flag Donations 275600-005	853.92			853.92		853.92
Equipment Earnings 275600-006	8,870.60			8,870.60		8,870.60
Timber Sales 275600-007	9.02			9.02		9.02
Police Dept Gift Fund 275600-009	600.00			600.00		600.00
Governor's Hgwy Sfty Bur 275600-010 (	1,326.58)		8,293.40	6,966.82	7,098.76	(131.94)
Septic Repair Grant 275600-015	17,862.01			17,862.01	1,490.20	16,371.81
Community Policing 275600-016	9,816.40			9,816.40	9,355.52	460.88
Law Enforcement Fund 275600-021	317.62			317.62		317.62
Woodland Trails Project 275600-030	888.01			888.01	811.74	76.27
Urban Forestry Grant 275600-031 (	5,000.00)		5,000.00			
Open Space & Rec Plan 275600-032	5,000.00			5,000.00	5,000.00	
Library Discovery Grant 275600-033	849.20			849.20	849.20	
Shade Tree Comm Donation 275600-034	5.36			5.36		5.36
Library-Greta Carey Gift 275600-035			4,980.00	4,980.00	1,000.00	3,980.00
Mema Grant 2005 275600-036			15,334.58	15,334.58	24.96	15,309.62
Local Preparedness Grant 275600-037			15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
War Memorial Fund 275600-038			200.00	200.00		200.00
Town Line Signs 275610-010	1,061.83		100.00	1,161.83		1,161.83
Insurance Proceeds 275721-000	2,509.66			2,509.66	1,929.39	580.27
Bond Prem-Issuance Costs 275725-000	8,523.88			8,523.88		8,523.88
TOTAL FUND 27:	69,695.65	0.00	72,788.21	142,483.86	65,569.23	76,914.63
FUND 30 CAPITAL PROJECTS						
Land Acquisition 305800-005	9,711.50			9,711.50		9,711.50
Capping Wood Waste Area 305800-010	95,302.75			95,302.75	13,938.00	81,364.75
Painting Dunphy School 305800-013	979.09			979.09		979.09
Repairs to Fire Stations 305800-021	4,326.01			4,326.01	289.77	4,036.24
Heating System Town Office 305800-022	675.00			675.00		675.00
Town Hall Elevator 305800-026	43,911.00			43,911.00		43,911.00
Highway Sander 305800-027	555.56			555.56		555.56
TOTAL FUND 30:	155,460.91	0.00	0.00	155,460.91	14,227.77	141,233.14
FUND 31 LIBRARY PROJECT						
Contingency 315611-080	38,315.91			38,315.91		38,315.91
TOTAL FUND 31:	38,315.91	0.00	0.00	38,315.91	0.00	38,315.91

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FUND 61 WATER ENTERPRISE						
Salaries 615450-110		2,800.00		2,800.00	2,800.00	
Labor and Expenses 615450-700		59,600.00	15,000.00	74,600.00	76,206.01	(1,606.01)
Water Improvement Debt 615710-910		153,481.00		153,481.00	153,481.00	
TOTAL FUND 61:	0.00	215,881.00	15,000.00	230,881.00	232,487.01	(1,606.01)
FUND 62 SEWER ENTERPRISE						
Salaries 625440-110		2,800.00		2,800.00	2,800.00	
Labor and Expenses 625440-700		71,850.00	10,000.00	81,850.00	81,850.00	
Sewer Construction 625440-800	153,748.21	30,000.00		183,748.21	29,506.84	154,241.37
Route 9 Construction 625440-801	267,483.63			267,483.63		267,483.63
Sewer Contruction Debt 625710-910		34,337.50		34,337.50	34,337.50	
TOTAL FUND 62:	421,231.84	138,987.50	10,000.00	570,219.34	148,494.34	421,725.00
FUND 85 TRUST EXPENDABLE SCHOOL						
Daniel Collins 855600-001	335,129.29			335,129.29	14,998.93	320,130.36
O.C. Spellman 855600-002	59,497.20			59,497.20	2,483.65	57,013.55
Ethel Curry 855600-003	3,543.33			3,543.33	2,483.63	1,059.70
Albert D. Sanders 855600-004	19,309.56			19,309.56	2,483.69	16,825.87
Dunphy - Dunphy School 855600-005	19,574.24			19,574.24	2,483.65	17,090.59
Dunphy - James School 855600-006	28,769.17			28,769.17	2,483.64	26,285.53
Ellsworth Hyde 855600-007	5,979.63			5,979.63	2,483.75	3,495.88
Byron Loomis 855600-008	20,280.79			20,280.79	2,483.64	17,797.15
William J. Sheehan 855600-009 (	343.94)			(343.94)		(343.94)
Helen E. James 855600-010	14,135.73			14,135.73	94.74	14,040.99
TOTAL FUND 85:	505,875.00	0.00	0.00	505,875.00	32,479.32	473,395.68
FUND 86 TRUST EXPENDABLE OTHER						
WCTU Clock Fund 865600-005	3,514.99			3,514.99	237.03	3,277.96
Cemetery Perpetual Care 865600-006 (	680.56)		42.65	(637.91)	675.00	(1,312.91)
Whiting Street 865600-007 (	443.41)			(443.41)		(443.41)
Arthur King 865600-008	393.67			393.67		393.67
Albert Hills 865600-009	15,781.27			15,781.27	1,229.49	14,551.78
Christian J. Hills 865600-010	20,044.42			20,044.42	896.49	19,147.93
Henry M. Hills 865600-011	63,528.12			63,528.12	2,494.74	61,033.38
Mary L. Main 865600-012	6,435.32			6,435.32	563.49	5,871.83
Lyman D. Wait 865600-013	61.57			61.57		61.57
Electra Wait 865600-014	2,151.17			2,151.17		2,151.17
Henry M. Warner 865600-015	26,768.26			26,768.26	1,296.49	25,471.77
Women's Club 865600-016	1,280.06			1,280.06	94.74	1,185.32
James L. Taylor 865600-017	1,156.10			1,156.10	394.72	761.38
Sanderson/Heath 865600-018	4,276.83			4,276.83	394.72	3,882.11
Library Humanities End 865600-019	11,086.85			11,086.85	904.72	10,182.13
TOTAL FUND 86:	155,354.66	0.00	42.65	155,397.31	9,181.63	146,215.68

FY2005 Expenses Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

und Number / Expense Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
UND 87 TRUST BRASSWORKS						
\$Recreation Operating 875630-700	26,936.07			26,936.07		26,936.07
\$Recreation Long-Range 875630-701	5,686.71			5,686.71	2,000.00	3,686.71
\$Housing/Economic Develop 875730-700	38,859.10		4,083.67	42,942.77		42,942.77
\$Brassworks Loan Fund 875800-700	185,036.10		25,303.38	210,339.48	1,067.50	209,271.98
TOTAL FUND 87:	256,517.98	0.00	29,387.05	285,905.03	3,067.50	282,837.53
UND 88 MISCELLANEOUS						
\$Stabilization Fund 885600-001	145,553.05		2,763.67	148,316.72		148,316.72
\$Elder Trust 885600-002	15,927.20		266.31	16,193.51	1,868.00	14,325.51
\$Unemployment - Town 885600-003	1,228.78		94.31	1,323.09	1,424.56	(101.47)
\$Appeals Consultant 885600-005			6,041.21	6,041.21	3,095.00	2,946.21
TOTAL FUND 88:	162,709.03	0.00	9,165.50	171,874.53	6,387.56	165,486.97
TOTAL OTHER FUND EXPENSES:	2,202,107.16	354,868.50	748,913.59	3,305,889.25	927,542.21	2,378,347.04

Town of Williamsburg
Enterprise Funds
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended June 30, 2005

	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>		
User Charges	188,169	78,841
Connection Fees	2,550	59,650
Penalties & Interest	263	78
Other Charges	2,453	1,897
Earnings on Investments	3,047	3,733
Total Revenues	196,483	144,200
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Salaries & Wages	2,800	2,800
Expenses	76,206	81,850
Construction		29,507
Debt Service	153,481	34,338
Total Expenditures	232,487	148,494
<u>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</u>	-36,004	-4,294
<u>Fund Balance-Beg of Year</u>	285,396	242,145
<u>Fund Balance-End of Year</u>	249,392	237,851

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMITTEE

The Town Administrator Committee was established by an appointment of the Board of Selectmen on March 22, 2005 to carry out the recommendations of the previous Town Administrator Feasibility Committee. This previous committee delivered its Final Report to the Select Board on January 20, 2005 with a unanimous recommendation that "the Board consider hiring a Town Administrator who would report to the Select Board and provide management coordination as well as administrative support to the Board. As chief elected officials of the Town, the Select Board would of course continue to provide leadership, vision, policy-making, and warrant-signing authority to Williamsburg."

Since that appointment, the Committee has worked to fulfill the objectives of the Select Board to create a draft job description for a Town Administrator and to explore the issues of compensation that this position would entail. At this point we have met 9 times with persons whose jobs would be directly affected by this position and with others outside of Town Government. We have consulted with an expert in this field from the Massachusetts Department of Community Development and with surrounding towns that have hired a Town Administrator.

By the Annual Town Meeting we will have met with the Finance Committee, an All Boards Meeting and conducted a public meeting to discuss the issues presented by hiring a Town Administrator.

This Committee would again like to thank all of the people who supported our work and who took the time to share with us their visions for our Town and their dedication to its vitality. We especially want to thank the Select Board for creating this opportunity, for their support in our work and for the uncountable number of hours that they continue to devote to Williamsburg.

Respectfully Submitted,

William B. Sayre, Chair
Jeff Ciuffreda, Vice Chair
Katharine Baker, Secretary

TOWN REPORT 2005
Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors now makes revaluation adjustments every year, rather than every three years, as was done in the past. The State agreed with us that no interim adjustment was needed for Fiscal Year 2005.

We continue to visit properties on a regular basis. This includes reviewing changes generated by building permits, sales and, of course, applications for abatement. The state requirements for assessors have generated an ever-increasing workload for our office. More time every year is required to meet our obligation to the residents of the Town of Williamsburg.

We endeavor to keep our records as current and accurate as possible. We are mandated to treat every taxpayer equitably. If residents have any questions or concerns regarding their property valuations, we urge them to contact us. We are happy to talk to or meet with anyone to answer questions. We can be reached at 268-8403.

We are hoping that both the House and Senate will approve the special legislation filed by the Selectboard so that refunds can be made to those taxpayers who were overcharged in Fiscal Year 2003. We thank everyone for their patience in this very frustrating procedure.

Henry J. Warner, Chairman
Marjorie Dunphy
Denise Banister

Brassworks ReUse Committee Annual Report 2005

The Committee met eleven times during the 2005 year. The standing monthly meeting of the committee remained as the second Tuesday of each month at the Town Offices at 5:00 PM.

The members of the Committee were;

Chairman, Peter Mahieu, appointed by the Finance Committee

Secretary, Jeffrey Ciuffreda, appointed by the Board of Selectmen

Martin Mahoney, appointed by the Planning Board. Martin began serving at the May meeting, replacing Warren White who resigned.

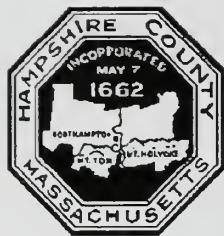
The year began with two loans on the books. One was a small business and the other the Hilltown Community Development Corporation for a loan that was made to enable the HCDC to renovate some housing rental units in town several years ago.

Both loans remained current during the year and in December 2005 the small business loan was repaid on time.

Two small businesses expressed interest in loans during the year but neither loan was pursued. The Committee put an article into the town's newsletter advising businesses of the availability of these funds hoping to generate more interest in the funds. At the end of the year, funds were still available and anyone interested in this program is encouraged to contact any of the committee members.

The committee began reviewing its application form and old files. Work will be done in 2006 in updating the application and in cleaning out files, discarding materials no longer deemed essential to the files.

Businesses are encouraged to apply for a loan if it can be helpful in starting or growing a business. Limited funds are still available for recreational purposes and the committee continues to try and work with the recreation commission to support any ongoing activities that cannot be funded through their budget. The last loan pool, for economic development and housing, is also available.



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HAMPSHIRE INSPECTION PROGRAM

Three hundred and sixty building permits were issued throughout the member towns of the Hampshire Inspection Program in 2005. Of these, 44 permits were for new homes. The breakdown of permit activity for the six member towns is as follows:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Total permits</u>	<u>New homes</u>	<u>Total permit fees collected</u>
Chesterfield	95	6	\$ 12,311.95
Goshen	56	6	\$ 9,740.39
Huntington	94	16	\$ 25,243.00
Middlefield	17	2	\$ 5,149.75
Plainfield	35	3	\$ 5,458.30
Williamsburg	119	11	\$ 19,120.66

Construction continues to be strong in the hilltowns served by the Hampshire Inspection Program. This year saw more new home permits issued than ever in several towns, and the trend shows no sign of slowing.

Another trend which should be mentioned is the increase in wood and pellet stove installations. Please remember that a building permit is required by the Mass. State Building Code for any such installation. The process is simple, the inspection quick, and many insurance companies will not renew homeowners insurance without a certificate showing compliance with the Code when a wood or pellet stove has been installed. Please call before installing any solid fuel burning appliance.

My thanks again to Tara Ussailis, my administrative assistant, for keeping up with the pace and keeping everything in order.

Our office is located at the Davenport School Building, 422 Main Road in Chesterfield, and is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings to serve residents of all member towns. Residents may phone anytime at (413) 296-0127.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paul Tacy'.

Paul Tacy
Building Commissioner

PERMIT ACTIVITY
JANUARY 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>PERMITS ISSUED</u>	<u>NEW HOMES</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF FEES</u>
<i>CHESTERFIELD</i>	95	6	\$12,311.95
<i>GOSHEN</i>	56	6	9,740.39
<i>HUNTINGTON</i>	94	16	25,243.00
<i>MIDDLEFIELD</i>	17	2	5,149.75
<i>PLAINFIELD</i>	35	3	5,458.30
<i>WILLIAMSBURG</i>	119	11	19,120.66

2005 TOTAL HOURS BY TOWN

	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u>ZONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
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CHESTERFIELD	299.77	49.11	348.88
GOSHEN	248.77	68.86	317.63
HUNTINGTON	285.02	68.11	353.13
MIDDLEFIELD	206.52	47.61	254.13
PLAINFIELD	201.27	38.36	239.63
WILLIAMSBURG	318.77	91.61	410.38

TOTAL	1560.10	363.65	1923.75
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Admin & Travel totals (included in above)

ADMINISTRATIVE	854.60	213.65	1068.25
INSPECTION TRAVEL	240.50		240.50

	<u>CHESTERFIELD</u>	<u>GOSHEN</u>	<u>HUNTINGTON</u>	<u>MIDDLEFIELD</u>	<u>PLAINFIELD</u>	<u>WILLIAMSBURG</u>
<u>January</u>	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$371.25
<u>February</u>	\$885.70	\$197.95	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$514.68
<u>March</u>	\$90.00	\$1,368.09	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
<u>April</u>	\$1,613.80	\$1,361.30	\$3,393.90	\$0.00	\$188.00	\$3,065.23
<u>May</u>	\$1,193.50	\$255.00	\$3,361.45	\$152.50	\$2,211.90	\$2,223.65
<u>June</u>	\$2,248.70	\$495.60	\$1,363.00	\$0.00	\$1,297.00	\$1,479.75
<u>July</u>	\$427.80	\$1,228.85	\$6,096.50	\$1,982.40	\$60.00	\$3,113.20
<u>August</u>	\$1,284.85	\$1,431.00	\$1,490.20	\$1,015.00	\$526.00	\$1,646.70
<u>September</u>	\$2,300.10	\$339.10	\$2,305.40	\$30.00	\$211.00	\$235.55
<u>October</u>	\$1,191.90	\$2,792.25	\$3,599.75	\$0.00	\$357.20	\$4,155.95
<u>November</u>	\$600.60	\$150.00	\$2,415.20	\$1,944.85	\$547.20	\$1,759.70
<u>December</u>	\$265.00	\$121.25	\$747.60	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$330.00
<u>TOTALS</u>	\$12,311.95	\$9,740.39	\$25,243.00	\$5,149.75	\$5,458.30	\$19,120.66

DATE OF ISSUE	LOCATION	MAP	PARCEL	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PERMIT	DESCRIPTION	COST	FEE	FEE REC'D
1/5/2005	2 Laurel Rd	K	291	Joan	Kopka	305	Renovations to apartment	\$0.00	\$30.00	1/18/2005
1/11/2005	198 Main St			Lindsey	Delisle	M05-7	Wood Stove Inspection	\$0.00	\$25.00	1/11/2005
1/18/2005	8 Round Hill Dr	K	26	Susan	Davis	705	Reroof/Siding/Doors	\$40,000.00	\$60.00	1/25/2005
1/25/2005	98 Old Goshen R	A	58	Gregory	Miller	1005	Bathroom (basement)	\$8,000.00	\$40.00	2/8/2005
1/25/2005	7 Grove St	K	92	Craig	Collins	805	Addition	\$60,000.00	\$191.25	1/31/2005
1/27/2005	2 Mountain St			Robert	McQueston	M05-8	Wood Stove Inspection	\$0.00	\$25.00	
2/7/2005	28 Village Hill Rd	J	3	Chris	Morris	1205	Rebuild Porch	\$18,000.00	\$30.00	2/23/2005
2/22/2005	82 South St	G	17	John	Merritt	1605	Kitchen Remodel	\$15,000.00	\$75.00	3/2/2005
2/22/2005	11 O'Neil Rd	D	30.1	John	Connolly	1505	Addition	\$42,179.00	\$210.90	2/28/2005
2/22/2005	108 Petticoat Hill	F	14.7	Paul	Wetzel	1705	Renovations	\$30,000.00	\$30.00	3/14/2005
2/23/2005	10 South Main St	K	230	Laura	Baker	1805	Renovations	\$17,755.00	\$88.78	3/2/2005
2/28/2005	1 Petticoat Hill Rd			Anne T. Dun	School	M05-9	Periodic Inspection	\$0.00	\$40.00	5/9/2005
2/28/2005	16 Main St			Helen E. Ja	School	M05-10	Periodic Inspection	\$0.00	\$40.00	5/9/2005
3/14/2005	47 Chesterfield R	F	71	Vincent	Snyder	2405	Addition/Remodel 2nd flo	\$45,000.00	\$225.00	3/28/2005
4/4/2005	2 Fairfield Ave	K	181	Mark	Albright	3205	Interior Renovations	\$15,000.00	\$75.00	3/30/2005
4/4/2005	2 Bullard Rd	J	28	Timothy	Mimitz	3405	Complete Addition	\$10,000.00	\$50.00	
4/6/2005	9 Dewey Cir	H	77-B	Roy	Giangregori	3805	Two-Family Residence	\$300,000.00	\$1,312.85	4/19/2005
4/11/2005	80 South St	G	30-1	Carole	Bihler	4305	Single Family Residence	\$258,000.00	\$1,043.50	4/11/2005
4/11/2005	9 Maple St	K	63	James	Packard	4105	Replacement Windows	\$15,908.00	\$30.00	5/10/2005
4/13/2005	13 Hyde Hill Rd	C	126	Tim	Daley	4705	Addition 24x26	\$30,000.00	\$234.00	4/25/2005
4/20/2005	20 Main St	J	178	Lawrence	Lashway	5205	Reroof	\$4,000.00	\$30.00	4/25/2005
4/25/2005	27 North Farms	8H	41	Paula	Pavelcsyk	6105	Mobile Home 14x56	\$50,000.00	\$259.88	4/25/2005
4/25/2005	11 Main St	J	135	Peter	Cerrata	6505	Reroof	\$5,400.00	\$30.00	4/25/2005
5/10/2005	5 Conway Rd	A	37	Nan	Fleming	6905	Porches	\$12,000.00	\$30.00	7/5/2005
5/10/2005	53 Nash Hill Rd	D	29	Richard	Mills	7005	Reroof	\$4,595.00	\$30.00	5/16/2005
5/11/2005	39 Brair Hill Rd	A	14-B	Alan	LaPalm	7605	Above-ground Pool	\$0.00	\$30.00	6/7/2005
5/11/2005	12-14 North Far	H	29/29-J	James	Hutchins	7805	3 new decks/rebuild 1 dec	\$10,500.00	\$52.50	5/25/2005
5/11/2005	9 Fort Hill Rd	K	258	Anthony	D'Agostino	7405	Replace Front Porch	\$3,000.00	\$30.00	5/23/2005
5/17/2005	2 Bullard Rd			Timothy	Mimitz	M05-22	Replacement Card (#340	\$0.00	\$20.00	5/17/2005
5/17/2005	206 Main St	K	271	Andrew	Quient	8705	Interior Renovations	\$0.00	\$60.00	6/21/2005
5/17/2005	44 South St	G	8	Julie	Sylvester	8405	Siding	\$17,078.00	\$30.00	5/17/2005
5/18/2005	36 South St			Ward	Morehouse	M05-24	Replacement Card (#99-0	\$0.00	\$20.00	6/13/2005
5/23/2005	82 North Farms	H	34	David	Smith	8905	Single Family Residence	\$232,000.00	\$1,464.00	
5/24/2005	17 North Farms	H	26	Farry	Poudrier	9505	Reroof/Interior Renovation	\$13,870.00	\$69.35	6/20/2005
5/25/2005	147 Main St	K	198	Tedric	Eiseman	9905	Interior Renvations	\$2,000.00	\$60.00	6/13/2005

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5/31/2005	109 Petticoat Hill	F	61	John	Hoogstraten	10905	Kitchen Renovation	\$3,000.00	\$30.00	6/7/2005
5/31/2005	20 South Main St	K	241	Lynn	Moran	10005	Interior Renovations	\$2,800.00	\$30.00	6/7/2005
5/31/2005	157 Main St	K	116	Eric	Cerreta	10805	Outbuilding 12x20	\$1,000.00	\$30.00	6/7/2005
5/31/2005	13 Village Hill Ave	J	21	Judith	Abraham	10305	Dormer	\$47,560.00	\$237.80	6/21/2005
6/1/2005	20 Fort Hill Rd	K	265-A	Martin	Mahoney	11205	Replacement Windows/R	\$5,000.00	\$30.00	6/21/2005
6/1/2005	41 Briar Hill Rd			David	Nunez	M05-28	Additional work (#17104)	\$0.00	\$50.00	6/1/2005
6/8/2005	11 Grove St	K	96	Jason	Zononi	11805	Siding/Replacement Wind	\$12,580.00	\$60.00	6/21/2005
6/14/2005	101 Adams Rd	E	49	Dean	Lawson	12505	Shed 12x20	\$5,000.00	\$30.00	6/21/2005
6/21/2005	105 Adams Rd	E	10	Jane	Eldridge	12905	Siding/Windows	\$0.00	\$50.00	6/21/2005
6/22/2005	10 Goshen Rd	C	56	Carol	Hendricks	13505	Foundation/floor repair, re	\$36,527.00	\$182.60	
6/23/2005	4 Main St			The Williams		M05-26	Periodic Inspection	\$0.00	\$40.00	6/7/2005
6/27/2005	35 Hyde Hill Rd			Emma	Peterson	M05-30	Wood Stove Inspection	\$0.00	\$25.00	6/27/2005
6/28/2005	5 Dewey Cir	H	77	Roy	Giangregori	13805	Two-family Residence	\$300,000.00	\$1,012.15	2/13/2005
7/6/2005	7 Depot Rd	D	77	Bruce	Tauscher	14905	Interior Renovations	\$5,000.00	\$60.00	7/12/2005
7/12/2005	24 R Main St	J	182	Town of Willi		15705	Outbuilding 32x60	\$3,000.00	\$336.00	
7/12/2005	116 South St	G	97	Kenneth	Forfia	15005	Single Family Residence	\$220,000.00	\$699.60	8/1/2005
7/12/2005	28 Goshen Rd	C	68	Victor	Zononi	16205	Siding/ Replacement Win	\$6,648.00	\$60.00	7/12/2005
7/12/2005	14 Nash Hill Rd	J	246	Jon	Gould	16405	remove exist deck/ additio	\$15,000.00	\$60.00	7/25/2005
7/12/2005	15 Cole Rd	H	48	Corinne	Chandless	16505	Reroof	\$8,580.00	\$30.00	7/20/2005
7/19/2005	136 Nash Hill Rd	B	33-3	Samantha	Burnell	16605	Single Family Residence	\$170,000.00	\$814.95	7/25/2005
7/20/2005	38 Village Hill Rd	C	49	Mirabai Lind	Bush	16905	Renovations	\$27,000.00	\$135.00	8/1/2005
7/20/2005	48 North Farms	H	35-1	Kristie	Overstreet	17105	Single Family Residence	\$145,600.00	\$857.65	
7/25/2005	3 Edwards St	K	83	Ned	Rudnitzky	18005	Reroof/Deck	\$19,000.00	\$60.00	8/1/2005
8/1/2005	11 Goshen Rd	C	163	Jeffrey	Ovitt	18805	Outbuilding 42x56	\$35,000.00	\$117.60	
8/1/2005	6 -B Williams St	J	97	Richard	Greenwood	18705	Replacement Windows	\$1,200.00	\$30.00	8/8/2005
8/15/2005	123 Petticoat Hill	F	58.1	Chantel	Cronin	19605	Barn 36x40	\$25,000.00	\$72.00	8/22/2005
8/16/2005	53 Nash Hill Rd	D	29	Richard	Mills	19905	Replacement Windows	\$5,000.00	\$30.00	8/22/2005
8/16/2005	44 Hyde Hill Rd	C	177	Charles	Baldwin	20005	Outbuilding 35x60	\$3,000.00	\$367.50	8/29/2005
8/17/2005	3 The Lope	H	71	Sheron	Rupp	20505	Foundation for Single Fa	\$0.00	\$50.00	9/19/2005
8/17/2005	6 Cole Rd	H	59	Scott	Baldwin	20205	Garage 24x24/Reroof hou	\$51,682.00	\$87.60	11/9/2005
8/17/2005	63 Nash Hill Rd	D	102	Alison	Downing	20305	Kitchen Renovations/Addi	\$102,612.00	\$474.00	8/22/2005
8/23/2005	10 Eastern Ave	J	260	Ruth	Parsons	21605	Add Shower Stall	\$7,000.00	\$30.00	
8/23/2005	3 Williams St	J	106	Thomas	Jenkins	21705	Reroof	\$250.00	\$30.00	8/23/2005
8/24/2005	133 Mountain St	E	47-A	Christopher	Wall	21905	Deck	\$3,000.00	\$30.00	9/6/2005
8/26/2005	5 Clary Rd			Snow Farm		M05-38	Periodic Inspection	\$0.00	\$40.00	

DATE OF ISSUE	LOCATION	MAP	PARCEL	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PERMIT	DESCRIPTION	COST	FEE	FEE REC'D
8/29/2005	105 Chesterfield	F	5	Lois	Cross	22005	Decks 8x10/10x12/4x4	\$700.00	\$30.00	9/6/2005
8/29/2005	10 Williams St	J	92	James	Ferron	22305	Reroof	\$1,500.00	\$30.00	9/6/2005
8/30/2005	132 Main St	K	213	Brassworks		22805	Change of Use	\$0.00	\$60.00	9/19/2005
8/30/2005	54 Old Goshen R C	C	15	Brian	Zimmerman	22705	Addition	\$25,000.00	\$168.00	9/19/2005
9/19/2005	1-C Buttonshop	J	66	Roy	Beals	24505	Porch rebuild	\$8,000.00	\$30.00	10/4/2005
9/19/2005	197 Main St	K	125	The Brook Cl		24605	Reroof	\$5,000.00	\$30.00	0/12/2005
9/21/2005	52 Chesterfield R	C	143.1	Sharon	Paradee	25105	Chimney	\$0.00	\$30.00	
9/26/2005	48 Briar Hill Rd	A	52.1	Mark	Nicoletti	25505	Addition/Renovations	\$124,500.00	\$85.55	
9/27/2005	16 North St	J	35		Healy	26005	Reroof	\$2,100.00	\$30.00	9/27/2005
9/27/2005	107 Main St	K	7	Statia	Skwira	25805	Shed 12x18	\$0.00	\$30.00	10/4/2005
10/5/2005	29 Petticoat Hill R	J	115.1	Kimberly	Hyslip	26605	Garage 32x36	\$113,150.00	\$358.20	11/7/2005
10/5/2005	113 Petticoat Hill	F	37	Frederick	Lewelling	26905	Shed 22x26	\$3,000.00	\$30.00	0/12/2005
10/5/2005	90 Old Goshen R A	A	8-1	Curt	Moran	26305	Foundation for Single Fa	\$0.00	\$50.00	0/11/2005
10/12/2005	3 The Lope	H	71	Sheron	Rupp	28005	Single Family Residence (	\$400,000.00	\$1,046.75	1/23/2005
10/12/2005	6 South Main St	K	227	Jim	Moran	27405	Replacement Windows	\$0.00	\$30.00	0/17/2005
10/12/2005	96 Old Goshen R A	A	63	Marguerite	Kelly	27705	Reroof	\$21,900.00	\$30.00	0/12/2005
10/12/2005	96 Old Goshen R A	A	63	Marguerite	Kelly	27605	Replacement Windows	\$3,480.00	\$30.00	0/24/2005
10/18/2005	20 Main St	J	178	Lawrence	Lashway	28305	Reroof	\$1,000.00	\$30.00	0/18/2005
10/18/2005	2 Old Goshen Rd	C	77	Daniel	Hathaway	28605	Addition 14x20	\$20,000.00	\$140.00	0/31/2005
10/19/2005	127 Goshen Rd	C	114	David	Lashway	28805	Utility Building	\$0.00	\$1,056.50	1/21/2005
10/19/2005	53 Village Hill Rd	C	44	Deborah	Simmons	28905	Replace existing porch 5x	\$0.00	\$30.00	0/25/2005
10/24/2005	15 North Main St	J	65-A	John	Caplan	29305	Reroof	\$8,200.00	\$30.00	0/24/2005
10/24/2005	2 South Main St	K	223	Claudia	Downey	29505	Replacement Windows	\$4,440.00	\$30.00	0/31/2005
10/26/2005	54 Mountain St	H	77	Roy	Giangregori	30305	Two-Family Residence	\$300,000.00	\$1,162.50	2/13/2005
10/31/2005	118 Nash Hill Rd	D	42	Catherine	Skiba	30405	Wood Stove/chimney pipe	\$1,800.00	\$30.00	2/28/2005
10/31/2005	Adams Rd	E	7	James	Forster	30805	Outbuilding 12x24	\$4,000.00	\$72.00	1/21/2005
11/2/2005	137 Main St	K	203	Oded	Peri	32005	Interior Renovations	\$4,000.00	\$30.00	11/9/2005
11/2/2005	7 Deer Haven Ma	K	267-5	Walter	Marek	31905	Single Family Residence	\$280,000.00	\$1,160.25	1/14/2005
11/7/2005	9 Village Hill Ave	J	9-A	Terese	Marconi	32305	Addition	\$125,000.00	\$325.20	1/14/2005
11/9/2005	10 Goshen Rd	C	56	Carol	Hendricks	32605	Reroof	\$24,000.00	\$30.00	11/9/2005
11/15/2005	79 Hemenway R	A	48	John	Dickinson	33405	Deck 12x14	\$1,400.00	\$30.00	1/21/2005
11/15/2005	26 South St	J	256	James	Locke	33205	Reroof	\$700.00	\$30.00	1/21/2005
11/15/2005	29 Petticoat Hill R	J	115.1	Kimberly	Hyslip	33105	Complete existing porch 1	\$12,350.00	\$61.75	1/21/2005
11/21/2005	10 River Rd	J	188	Willo	Carey	33805	Barn Renovations	\$6,500.00	\$32.50	1/30/2005
11/22/2005	4 Deer Haven Dr	K	294-9	David	Dunny	34005	Install Wood Stove	\$0.00	\$30.00	1/23/2005

DATE OF ISSUE	LOCATION	MAP	PARCEL	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PERMIT	DESCRIPTION	COST	FEE	FEE REC'D
11/22/2005	105 South St	G	96	Donna	Cowan	34105	Replacement Windows	\$8,000.00	\$30.00	1/22/2005
11/30/2005	183 Main St			Beaver Broo	Golf Club	M05-39	Periodic Inspection	\$0.00	\$0.00	
11/30/2005	12 Laurel Rd			Burgy Bullets	Snow Mobile	M05-53	Periodic Inspection (Ch 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	
11/30/2005	49 Main St			Williamsburg	Grill & Taver	M05-54	Periodic Inspection (Ch 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	
11/30/2005	5 Bridge St			Amer. Legio	Post 236	M05-55	Periodic Inspection (Ch 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	
11/30/2005	35 Main St			A-1 Hilltown	Pizza	M05-57	Periodic Inspection (Ch 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	
12/6/2005	37 Village Hill Rd	C	50	Cathy	Longinotti	34705	Reroof	\$8,200.00	\$30.00	12/6/2005
12/6/2005	4 North Main St	J	54	Williamsburg	Congregatio	34505	Reroof	\$29,720.00	\$30.00	12/6/2005
12/12/2005	86 South St	G	18	Mary	Foster	34805	Install Wood Stove	\$0.00	\$30.00	1/4/2006
12/13/2005	16 South Main St	K	235	Town of	Williamsburg	35005	Reroof	\$14,995.00	\$30.00	2/28/2005
12/20/2005	35 Chesterfield R	F	74	Glen	Goebel	35505	Reroof/Rebuild Chimney	\$14,000.00	\$60.00	
12/27/2005	137 Nash Hill Rd	B	30.A	David	Bussler	35805	Porch (with 8x10 mudroo	\$18,000.00	\$90.00	
12/28/2005	17 Valley View R	J	238	Eric	Schmitt	36105	Install Pellet Stove	\$1,500.00	\$30.00	
12/28/2005	7 Nash Hill Pl #11	J	219.1	Realty	Resources	36005	Replacement Windows	\$600.00	\$30.00	1/9/2006

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

The charge of the Capital Planning Committee is to help the town plan for anticipated capital expenditures and their financing. The Committee has five members, three at large members appointed by the Board of Selectmen and two representatives of the Finance Committee. The Town Treasurer serves as an ex-officio member.

The current members are William Sayre, Bob Buchele, Kit Smith, Lloyd Warriner and Karen Karowski (Town Treasurer) with one vacancy.

Each year the committee solicits capital expenditure requests for the next fiscal year and anticipated requests for the next five years from all town departments. (Capital expenditures include all equipment or projects that cost at least \$10,000 and have a useful life of at least five years.) It then compiles and prioritizes these requests and forwards them to the Finance Committee along with its funding recommendations.

The Committee forwarded the following capital expenditure and debt service projections for the Town of Williamsburg to the Finance Committee in April 2005 (see FY 2006 spreadsheet on the next page.)

Respectfully submitted,

William Sayre
Chair

Town of Williamsburg
Capital Planning Committee
Capital Improvement Budget FY06
Capital Improvement Program FY07-FY11

Requests Prioritized*	Total Debt Years	Years Remaining	Estimated Interest %	Tax Rate Effect (for FY 2004)	Project Description	Estimate Received	Town's Share of Project	Remaining Principle	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
					APPROVED REQUESTS									
	11	10	3.33		Library - Meekins		\$500,000	\$427,000	\$52,040	\$54,115	\$55,075	\$51,815	\$51,515	\$54,080
	10	5	2.65		Fire Dept. - Truck (\$190,000 Total); Engine IV		\$185,000	\$93,000	\$21,754	\$21,279	\$20,785	\$19,215	\$18,630	
	10	7	2.95		Wood Waste (FY02-FY12 \$20,000/yr. Principal)		\$200,000	\$120,000	\$23,770	\$23,270	\$22,750	\$22,150	\$21,500	\$21,150
	20	2	2.12		HEJ School		\$1,375,000	\$73,700	\$38,284	\$38,850				
	5	2	2.01		Salisbury - Heydenville Healing		\$11,325	\$8,000	\$4,204	\$4,104				
	5	2	2.01		Hwy Dept. - Grader		\$75,000	\$26,500	\$14,178	\$13,338				
	1	2	2.01		Hwy Dept. - Sander		\$25,000	\$18,500	\$8,921	\$8,208				
	25	24	?		Hampshire Regional - Renovation = 18.652% of \$26 Million		\$4,544,540	\$2,633,844	\$181,191	\$252,000	\$300,000	\$301,000	\$96,000	\$97,000
					Prior Year Requests Subtotals		\$8,916,885	\$3,398,544	\$344,330	\$413,184	\$398,610	\$394,180	\$187,845	\$172,230
					CURRENT REQUESTS PROPOSED 2008									
1	10		4.5		Fire Dept. - Engine II	Y	\$235,000			\$35,250	\$34,075	\$32,900	\$31,725	\$30,550
3	10		4.5		Hwy. Dept. - Sweeper	Y	\$119,157			\$17,874	\$17,278	\$16,682	\$16,088	\$15,491
3	1		FC		Hwy. Dept. - Superintendent's Vehicle-1 ton pickup w. plow	Y	\$35,288		\$35,288					
3	1		FC		Fire Dept. - Roof on Police Dept. Bldg.	Y	\$16,800		\$16,800					
					Current Year Requests Subtotals		\$406,223	\$0	\$52,088	\$53,124	\$51,353	\$49,582	\$47,813	\$46,041
					FUTURE REQUESTS (Note 1)									
					Police - Cruiser II		\$33,564			\$33,564				
					Police - Cruiser II		\$37,777							
					Police - Cruiser II		\$43,794							
					Police - Cruiser I		\$36,677							\$38,016
					Police - Cruiser I		\$42,518							
					Police - Cruiser I		\$49,290							
					Police - 4x4		\$45,000				\$45,000			
					Police - 4x4		\$57,005							
					Fire - Engine I		\$278,226						\$41,734	\$40,343
					Fire - Engine III		\$215,351							
					Fire - Engine IV		\$487,390							
					Fire - Chief's Vehicle		\$40,575						\$40,575	
					Hwy. Dept. - Addition & Improvements		\$225,102				\$26,262	\$25,512	\$24,761	\$24,011
					Hwy. - Loader		\$196,891				\$29,526	\$28,541	\$27,556	\$26,572
					Hwy. - Truck 8 & Sander		\$104,335						\$28,084	\$25,040
					Hwy. - Ford 550 & Sander		\$83,339							
					Hwy. - Truck 4 & Sander		\$124,581							
					Hwy. - Backhoe		\$146,853							
					Hwy. - Grader		\$280,434							
					ATD Renovation/Addition		\$3,647,076				\$364,708	\$355,590	\$348,472	\$337,354
					School Renovations-HEJ Preservation Only		\$453,000							
					Future Year Requests Subtotals		\$8,598,578	\$0	\$0	\$33,564	\$485,488	\$409,843	\$507,182	\$489,338
					TOTALS		\$13,910,888	\$3,398,544	\$398,398	\$499,862	\$916,469	\$863,406	\$742,840	\$707,807
					*Current requests are prioritized as follows: 1. State mandated/health and safety; 2. Imminent large dollar loss; 3. Potential large dollar loss/quality of life/replacement; 4. Lowest priority									
					Note 1 - Increased by 3%/year for inflation									

Annual Report of the Conservation Commission

The Board of Conservation Commissioners for the Town of Williamsburg are: James Wilson, Chairperson; Tom Hodgkins, Phil Skwira, Rob Stinson and Wilbur Loomis.

In 2005, the Conservation Commission approved the following:

- 15 Requests for Determination
- 1 Notice of Intent
- 2 Emergency Certificates
- 2 Certificates of Compliance

Commission members attended the workshops and seminars designed to further educate the Commission in additional ways to help protect our wetlands and rivers.

The Commissions' duty is to protect riverfront and wetland areas by making sure all applicants' intentions are done safely and according to state and federal laws. If any town resident is planning any activity within 100 feet of a wetland or 200 feet of a perennial stream or river, it is jurisdictional under the Wetland Protection Act that they first notify the Conservation Commission.

The Conservation Commission meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. Questions for the Commission can be answered by Commission members or the Commission Secretary, Melissa Adams, by calling and leaving a message at 268-8416.

2005 Annual Report of the Williamsburg Council On Aging & Regional Senior Center

During 2005 the Williamsburg Council On Aging & Regional Senior Center provided a variety of services not only to the 476 elders who live in Haydenville and Williamsburg but also to at least 72 people from other towns, primarily other hilltowns.

The COA newsletter, *Mature Matters*, was mailed out quarterly to all town residences and post office boxes to keep not only elders up to date on services but their family members as well. Sending it to the entire town also made it more attractive to local advertisers. In addition, *Mini-Matters*, was mailed to all seniors in town in between the issues of the quarterly newsletter. Elders in town were, therefore, kept up to date not only on the availability of services and recreational activities but also on news of interest such as the proposed senior center.

In December, a particularly well-received event was that of the Ann T Dunphy School Chorus who performed here for seniors. The chorus of over 50 students (they couldn't all fit on the stage) sang holiday songs and did a great job!! Bravo!

The Elder Health Fair held in early November was an extremely well attended event. About 150 seniors attended all together, 127 of them received flu shots. Williamsburg was the first of the Northern Hilltowns to get the flu vaccine thanks to prompt ordering by the Williamsburg VNA and to Board of Health Member and COA Board member, Ira Gabrielson, who personally went to pick them up.

On April 28th the Hilltown Consortium of Councils On Aging, of which Williamsburg is the lead agency, held an event called "Hilltown Coffeehouse." We chose to hold it at the Chesterfield Senior Center., a newer and more attractive space than we have here. More than 80 seniors attended the event, including over twenty from Williamsburg. The most popular performers were Williamsburg residents, Smiity and Mae Smith, who also played at one of our cookouts. They have performed for other COAs as well and at Northampton's First Night.

In addition to larger events like these, there were many services, which took place on a more frequent basis. Transportation was the most often requested service. Fortunately, with the help of a PVTa contract the COA paid drivers for medical rides. The COA also provided mileage reimbursement to volunteer drivers who brought elders to non-medical but necessary places, like grocery stores. Other services included: foot care, hearing screening, blood- pressure monitoring, assistive equipment loans, health coverage counseling, tax preparation, congregate meals, assistance with service applications (food stamps, fuel assistance, etc.), brown bag, referrals, and more. When we did not have the resources to help someone with a particular problem we made use of our Community

Guide, Joe Roberts, who worked on developing resources. One way or another, we helped the many, many people who came through our doors or called Fran or me.

For much of the year, we had the services of Rose Simmons, who was placed with the COA, by the Department of Elder Services in Springfield. As a Senior Aide she provided outreach services to elders in town for 20 hours per week. She emphasized visiting isolated elders and bringing them here to the Senior Center or elsewhere for socialization. As a result of Roses' efforts, being able to provide outreach services on a more long-term basis has become an important goal for the COA.

Thank you to the other members of the Senior Center Feasibility Study Committee: Emma Hall, Sandy Limatainen, Candy Smith, Carl Beach, and Bonnie Roberge for all your hard work in examining this issue that is so important, not only to elders, but to all town residents. Also thank you to the Hilltown Community Development Corporation for all the effort they put into the project. The inadequacy of the existing space is an issue that will not go away and must be addressed one way or another.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Wheelan". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Mary Wheelan
(Executive Director)

2005 Annual Report of the Williamsburg Elementary Schools

Advisory boards and committees

Williamsburg School Council - the school community elects this advisory board to the Principal. The focus of this group is the development of an annual school improvement plan. 2005 Membership included; Alfred J. Venne Chairperson, Parents Laurie Cote, Kim Hyslip, Kate Dollard Teachers Maureen Sheehan, Nancy Mahoney, David Sprague, Lisa Peloquin & Karen Schweitzer, and Johanna Korpita, School Committee members and parents Diane Bishop & Jeff Gelbard. The council is seeking a community member to serve on the council

Williamsburg School Building Committee re-appointed. Teachers Alice Walker and Sherrie Marti, School Committee Member Michelle Morris, Community members Alan Everett, Jeffrey Gelbard, Donna McGill, John Pohanka and George Childs Finance Committee Liaison Karen Korowski, Administrative liaisons Superintendent William G. Erickson and Principal Alfred J. Venne. (No Meetings were held in 2005)

The NEW Massachusetts Building Authority (MSBA) was established during 2005. The executive director is Katherine Cravin. The new Authority is part of the State's Treasurer's Office. A Pre-Assessment visit by the MSBA occurred in November of this year. The purpose of the visit was to survey the school buildings as part of a statewide effort to assess the status of all the State's school facilities. A statewide database is being established.

Draft MSBA regulations will circulate between January 2006 and June 2006. Final regulations will be established July 1, 2006. The MSBA will begin accepting applications for school building projects July 1, 2007. It is expected that the Williamsburg school building committee and the local school committee will be working hard over the next year and a half to position the town well with the NEW MSBA.

Cultural Arts Committee: 2005 saw the grass roots creation of a Cultural Arts Committee. The CAC is a volunteer committee made up of parents of children in the Williamsburg school system as well as interested staff members. The purpose of the CAC is to research, organize and sponsor culturally diverse arts programming for students in Kindergarten through 6th grade. This year the CAC collaborated with teachers and staff within the school to integrate the arts into the curriculum wherever possible. The CAC believes in the value of culturally diverse arts education that includes exposure and involvement with performing arts such as theater, dance and music as well as the visual arts and creative writing.

The CAC through focused efforts created and sponsored an Arts Adventure Day for the students on March 15. Judy Nancy Mahoney

PTO Thank you 2005 – Donna Gingras wishes to thank the men and women who have worked so hard this year on behalf of the PTO. I could not have done it without your help! This includes everyone who helped with the book fair, basket raffle, spaghetti dinner, and teacher appreciation week. A special thanks to my team of steady PTO workers who are always there when I need them: Tiffany Chapman, Melissa Payson, Leslie Smith, Tracy McFadden and Scott DeLoach, Cheri Gagnon, Shelley Walker, Laurie Cote and Dee Carriere.

Programs

Full Day Kindergarten & The Integrated Preschool received the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation this year (Valid for 3 years). Sherrie Marti and Robin Foley are the lead teachers in Kindergarten. Lorrie Childs and Mary Ellen Woods are the lead teachers in preschool. Nancy Forster, Cheryl Kress and Donna Mimitz served as the support staff to the programs.

After school Program Services: An after school child care program sponsored by “Bonnie’s Program started in the fall of 2005. The program housed at the Helen E. James School operates daily between the hours of 3 – 6 pm. Bonnie Smith is the Program Director.

Curriculum

Mathematics: Using the Massachusetts Mathematics Curriculum Framework, the school completed a grade-to-grade standards alignment of the mathematics curriculum by June 2005. The TERC Investigations Mathematics program also aligned to the Massachusetts Mathematics Curriculum Framework was used as the basis of our program delivery. Other materials were used at the professional judgment of the instructional staff. CPM, the middle school version of Terc Investigations was the basis of the 6th grade math curriculum in 2005.

English Language Arts: Using the Massachusetts English Language Arts (ELA) Curriculum Framework, the school completed a grade-to-grade standards alignment of the ELA curriculum by June 2005. English language arts assessment at the upper elementary level was enhanced with the introduction of the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA). The DRA has been in use at the lower elementary level for nearly 4 years. The (Developing Writer’s Assessment) DWA introduced in the fall of 2001 continues to be used in grades K – 6 to provide students, faculty, and parents with a very clear “Focus of Instruction” related to all students writing.

Staffing Changes

Spanish Program. We Welcomed Senora **Jennifer Grader** as our Spanish Instruction Artist in Residence for the spring of 2005. Senora Grader began working with classes afternoons in March continue through May 13. She met 2 times a week with all classes grades Kindergarten through Grade 5. In the fall of 2005. **Dr. Thomas Neilson** joined our staff in September of 2005 as our K - 5 Spanish language teacher. Our foreign language staff now consists of classroom teachers Amelia Wright and Lisa Peloquin and Tom Neilson.

27 years of compassion In November our school nurse, **Cathy Marek**, retired after 27 years of compassion for the children and dedication to our school community. **Heather Holquist** replaced Mrs. Marek as our district School nurse in 2005.

Grants/Special Projects

Fertile Ground at the James School Garden - Fertile Ground and the James School was pleased to offer garden classes again during the spring of 2005. The Community Foundation of Western MA, Mass Agriculture in the Classroom, the New England Grassroots Environment Fund, technical assistance from the Hilltown Community Development Corporation, and individuals in the community made the classes possible. Annie's Garden Shop and Bear Path Farms donated materials.

Garden classes were conducted with Hope Gardenar and Catherine Sands on Mondays at the James School. Seedlings were started indoors and have planted peas outside. With all grades, PreK - 3, we've been exploring the garden, planning for the season, and learning about soil structure. Each class kept a thriving worm box over the winter, and classroom composting has produced good nutritious compost for the garden.

During the spring a water system was installed. Also Nuestras Raices of Holyoke once again worked with the students, trips were taken to farms and of course lots of planting. A garden feast was held in the fall of 2005.

Massachusetts Cultural Arts Council grant sponsored Tony Vacca a local percussionist and educator that is best described as a one of a kind percussion unit. He performed Friday Feb, 4th at 2:00 in the ATD gym for the students and the public. He played a multitude of instruments from around the world reflecting the multicultural sources of rhythm in America. He was a wonderful performer with great energy that kept us moving along with his beat. He also did an integrated session with the 6th grade.

Town Equipment Day Oct 3, 2005 - Fire Trucks, Monster Trucks, Heavy Equipment of all types were found covering the fields of the Anne T. Dunphy School. Students had an opportunity for an up close look at some of the big equipment that is part of our lives. Families were also welcome to visit between 10 am – 12 noon **Free Trucker's Lunch** All Students were invited to a Free Trucker's meal of Hot Dogs, Chips, Salad, Punch & Dessert.

Thank you Susan Snow – We would like to recognize the dedication and many contributions Susan Snow has made to the Town of Williamsburg and our children. She has been a member of the Williamsburg School Committee for 9 years, serving as Chairperson for the last 5 years. She has always served with the best interest of our children and their education in mind. Her ability to balance the needs of the school with the Town's fiscal constraints and her patience in resolving controversial issues is unsurpassed. The committee will miss her knowledge and guidance and we wish her the best in her future endeavors.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alfred J. Venne, Principal

Annual Report of Employee Earnings Report

The following persons received a salary or wage during the calendar year 2005 for employment with the Town of Williamsburg. It must be noted that those employees with an asterisk (*) after their name have earned that wage by working for more than one department or in more than one capacity.

Elections

Crotty, Edward J.	\$ 453.00
Hemenway, Jeanne E.	40.00
Rowley, Linda	322.88
Stewart, Eileen	378.00
York, Jean T.	80.00
	1,273.88

Police Department

Archbald, Patrick T.	4,038.98
Chapman, William A.	1,532.03
Cotton, John W.	6,800.00
Fisher, Nathan C.	3,226.78
Graham, William R.	11,746.94
Kirouac, Patricia M.	2,107.13
Maguffin, Daniel	934.74
Martin, David J.	3,260.64
Moore, Tyler G.	5,534.67
Quinn, Patrick M.	935.00
Scoble, Peter Z.	24,144.98
Warner, Daniel	10,897.45
Waskiewicz, Ronald	1,613.20
West, David A.	2,213.00
Wickland, Denise	4,912.08
	83,897.62

Library

Bedell, Amy T.	1,778.00
Peterson, Emma	2,024.00
Valone, Margo G.	1,050.00
Wenner, Lisa W.	20,219.27
Wildfong, Rochelle L.	23,685.20
Young, Barbara	12,232.12
	60,988.59

Select Board

Cerreta, Eric	\$ 2,352.34
Haskell, David *	3,452.33
Morris, Christopher	968.06
	6,772.73

Select Board Administrative Assistant

Roberge, Bonnie	23,070.75
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Finance Committee

Allen, Gordon	500.00
Beattie, Michael	600.00
Buchele, Robert K.	350.00
DeSalvio, Karen	292.00
Jacobson, Deborah F.	350.00
Mahieu, Peter	350.00
Pepi, John R.	59.00
	2,501.00

Treasurer

Karowski, Diane Y.	196.19
Karowski, Karen M. *	30,455.97

Town Clerk

Nardi, Charlene L. *	18,622.42
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Inspectors

Lawton, Donald *	3,988.33
Lyons, Paul J.	3,765.00

Board of Appeals

Mathers, David E.	375.00
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Conservation Commission

Adams, Melissa L.	599.86
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Veterans' Agent

Peters, Ronald R.	1,006.00
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School Department

Adams, Cathleen W.	\$ 60.00
Allen, Charlene Katherine	81.26
Baker, Bettina	30,764.50
Bierwert, Karen	51,938.09
Birchenough, Kelly A.	275.00
Black, Jennifer L.	17,220.78
Bowyer, Diane H.	1,300.00
Braman, Diana L.	55,685.44
Brazeau, James M.	240.00
Chevalier, Elizabeth A.	389.38
Childs, Laraine	41,342.28
Clark, Sarah J.	82.50
Connell, Margaret A.	55.00
Cycz, Martha	21,028.59
Forster, Nancy	16,553.76
Gelbard, Anne	2,050.36
Gurdak-Foley, Robin Grace	56,412.86
Hanley, Julie I.	55.00
Harvey, Renee	16,385.84
Hathaway, Karla J.	75.00
Heffernan, John S.	54,435.44
Holmquist, Heather	8,670.90
Jaescke, Richard E.	55.00
Kelley, Bryan M.	55.00
Kiely, Maureen A.	55.00
Korpita, Johanna M.	47,510.42
Kress, Cheryl A.	16,175.54
Kristek, Hannah C.	130.00
Long, Mary Jane	47,510.62
Luce, Rita MacInnis	46,217.18
Lulek, Agnes T.	17,416.52
Lulek, Chester J.	1,608.75
Macutkiewicz, Leslie A.	412.50
Mahoney, Nancy K.	27,217.81
Marek, Catherine	35,640.69
Marquis, Kyle J.	82.50
Marti, John E.	27,889.80
Marti, Sheryl A.	51,348.31
Maynard, Patricia	52,539.07
McQueston, Maryellen B.	1,227.83
Millette, Nancy	49,443.44
Milsom, Susan D.	16,247.09
Mimitz, Donna M.	13,666.23
Mimitz, Sarah M.	55.00
Moulton, Sharon	55,458.35
Neilson, Thomas R.	3,899.16

O'Brien, Michael P.	36,086.07
O'Connell, Michael P.	18,351.60
Peloquin, Lisa A.	51,348.31
Perrault, Ronald C.	7,308.55
Powers, Sandra J.	10,028.88
Rugiero, Roberta E.	20,346.15
Schipellite, Karen M.	2,130.00
Schweitzer, Karen	48,241.44
Sheehan, Maureen M.	51,348.31
Sherry, Bret	2,240.00
Smith, Susan B.	55,252.72
Snow, Susan M.	208.34
Sprague, David R.	53,708.43
St. Clair, Kimberly E.	112.50
Suddaby, Barbara A.	410.00
Surgen, Suzanne	192.50
Szabo, Amelia	46,943.44
Venne, Alfred	71,816.72
Walker, Alice A.	56,685.35
Wickum, Mary Ellen	120.00
Woods, Mary Ellen	51,348.29

1,471,191.39

School Committee

Bishop, Diane C.	250.00
Gelbard, Jeffrey D.	250.00
Laird, Duncan	41.66

Transfer Station

Childs, William	640.00
Newman, George A.	6,908.08
Poudrier, Thomas	10,360.08

Summer Recreation Program

Antill, Gregory E.	1,475.00
Auclair, Ashley	1,642.00
Fitzgerald, Pamela J.	2,684.00
Neugeboren, Aaron B.	12,537.63
Turner, Benjamin G.	1,265.00
Warner, Carl W.	3,707.00

23,310.63

Town Accountant

Hyslip, Kimberly J. *	\$	19,155.87
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Assessors

Banister, Denise *	5,685.68
Dunphy, Marjorie	7,130.36
Warner, Henry J. *	3,354.04
	16,170.08

Highway Department

Banister, Peter	36,333.15
Taylor, Kenneth H. Jr.	38,422.08
Turner, Donald W.	38,598.67
Turner, William *	52,176.08
	165,529.98

Treasurer/Collector Assistant

Mathers, Kerri Jo *	3,726.79
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Town Collector

Barstow, Teresa	30,078.01
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Pollworkers

Casterline, Patricia A.	45.00
Ciuffreda, Jeffrey S. *	450.00
Ciuffreda, Mary Ann	60.00
Clark, Lucille W.	45.00
DiDonato, James A.	300.00
Dufresne, Sheila	150.00
Lockwood, Winona	110.00
Lojko, Elizabeth M.	135.00
Luce, Kathleen	150.00
Lucey, Dorothy L.	160.00
Magdalenski, Bernie	150.00
Mathers, Maureen	90.00
Nardi, David	15.00
Nurczyk, Janet M.	121.88
O'Sullivan, Diane M.	55.00
Owens, Donald L. *	1,250.00
Pohanka, John	300.00
Taylor, Doris M.	90.00
	3,676.88

Board of Health

Gabrielson, Ira	1,050.33
Gibson, Donna	1,050.33

Council on Aging

Goebel, Frances M. *	16,569.60
Goebel, Glen G.	106.25
Hall, Emma J.	2,309.62
Loomis, Eleanor W.	112.63
Roberts, Allan	650.25
Roberts, Joe D.	4,760.00
Wheelan, Mary P.	15,476.00
	39,984.35

Water/Sewer Commission

Edwards, Charles	1,612.50
Kellogg, Walter E. III	14,490.00
Sanderson, Howard	1,100.00

Fire Department

Banister, Daniel	95.08
Banister, Peter	371.10
Bisbee, Roger	897.40
Bruso, Matthew J.	2,151.00
Cerreta, Eric	1,124.41
Connell, Jason A.	2,420.26
Connell, John M.	379.60
Curtin, Mark	95.56
Everett, Alan	617.54
Everett, Glen	608.80
Ferron, James	869.74
Heinz, Heather M.	145.50
Karowski, Richard P.	695.86
Lashway, Lawrence III	219.50
Lawton, Donald E.	13,080.42
McGill, Brian R.	573.60
McGill, Cory J.	1,141.10
McQueston, Timothy E.	142.86
Pope, John P.	997.76
Sanderson, Paul	649.28
Smith, G.Gilman	370.38
Springman, Daryl R.	380.08
Taylor, Kenneth H. Jr.	114.48
Turner, Donald	2,000.41
	30,141.72

Town Office Custodian

Press, Arthur	80.00
Richardson, Russell C.	7,735.48

7,815.48

Senior Tax Work-Off Total	1,220.07
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Annual Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee is composed of nine elected members who meet regularly each month to review the budget proposals of town departments and make recommendations regarding those budgets to the annual town meeting. The Finance Committee works in coordination with the Select Board and the Capital Planning Committee.

Each year, Town Meeting authorizes the Finance Committee to expend up to a specified amount of funds to cover unforeseen departmental expenses. Below are the budget transfers authorized by the Finance Committee last year.

Reserve Fund Transfers Fiscal 2005

Opening Balance: \$50,000.00

March 05	\$1,489.19 Town Buildings and Grounds
March 05	\$7,000.00 Town Buildings and Grounds
April 05	\$600.00 Town Telephone
April 05	\$7,500.00 General Insurance
May 05	\$19.00 Finance Committee Expense
May 05	\$1,672.71 Veterans Benefits
June 05	\$6,000.00 Town Counsel
June 05	\$112.49 Town Telephone
July 05	\$4,641.10 Fire Department Labor
July 05	\$42.69 Select Board Expenses
July 05	\$543.90 Town Buildings and Grounds
July 05	\$4,838.31 Town Buildings and Grounds
July 05	\$471.20 Police Department
July 05	\$498.04 Board of Appeals
July 05	\$12.04 Finance Committee Expenses
July 05	\$11,655.43 Vocational School

Closing Balance: \$2,003.90

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Morris
Finance Committee Secretary

Williamsburg Fire Department

Fire Chief, Donald Lawton

P.O. Box 425

Williamsburg, MA 01096



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Williamsburg Fire Department – 2005 Annual Report

The fire dept. responded to 197 calls in 2005. This is the highest number of calls I am aware of and I believe it is partly due to the improved record keeping with the fire department computer and the fine job Jason Connell has done in keeping the computer records up to date.

The calls were not as devastating as the previous year.

The fire dept. received 3 grants in 2005, totaling \$28,500. A grant for up to \$12,000 was written by Jason Connell for a Polaris Ranger 6x6 all terrain vehicle. This will be an invaluable tool for our department to use in case of brush fires as well as any search and rescue operations. A grant of \$15,000 was received for an air compressor to fill our self contained breathing apparatus.

We applied for our first SAFE grant for SAFE education in the school system. This was a \$1,500 grant. Matt Brusco has completed a 40 hour class in SAFE education is the department's SAFE educator.

Our new engine voted on at town meeting was bid and ordered in August 2005 and should be delivered next summer. The duties of the fire department are not just to run around and spray water on fires, the firefighters train weekly in firefighting, lifesaving and auto extrication techniques. We are lucky to have so many firefighters who work in town and can therefore respond to calls. Many towns do not have such a readily available force because their firefighters work out of town. This makes it very difficult for these towns to provide adequate fire protection and medical assistance.

I would like to thank everyone involved with the fire department for a job well done!

Respectfully submitted:

Emergency: 911- Business: 413-268-7233 - Fax: 413-268-7233

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOOTHILLS HEALTH DISTRICT

I began as the District's new Health Agent on February 1, 2005, and it has been an exciting first year. I have focused my time on organizing and orienting myself to each of the four towns in the District, while keeping a very busy schedule. I am grateful for the assistance of everyone in town who helped me through this first year, especially the Board of Health. The following reflects some of my activities during the year in Williamsburg: perc tests 14, Title V inspections 8, well permits 8, septic system permits 11, food inspections 7, and complaints investigated 8. Approximately \$6348 has been collected in permits and fees. \$907 was received from grants. These sums were deposited in the General Fund.

Planning for bio-emergencies, such as the avian flu, is now a focal point for every health department. Williamsburg and Goshen have been partnered by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to develop an Emergency plan to immunize residents at the Dunphy School. I expect the plan to be fully developed in 2006.

Lyme Disease reports are on the increase in Williamsburg; five positives in August. Remember to use a good tick repellent, and keep your body covered when walking in the woods or tall grasses. Be sure to inspect pets and yourself regularly for ticks, especially after walking outdoors. I have plenty of handouts in the office for your interest.

The best way to reach me is to leave a message at either 665-8051 or 268-8404. I retrieve messages remotely throughout the week- wherever I am working. Meetings should be scheduled in advance by calling either number. Written messages or mail should be directed to me at PO 447 Haydenville, MA 01039. I look forward to the following year as your Health Agent.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Duda
Foothills District Health Agent

2005 Annual Report Hampshire Regional School Committee

The Hampshire Regional School Committee and School Committees serving the five towns had the difficult task of searching for a new superintendent as Bill Erickson retired June 30th, 2005. With the help of community and staff, the Committees looked to find someone with the energy, patience and skills that Dr. Erickson gave us over the past ten years. We thank Dr. Erickson for his years of service to the five town school community and leadership through the opportunities and difficulties that education reform in Massachusetts has presented us. Among the candidates to succeed him, we were fortunate to find Dr. Barbara Ripa. Dr. Ripa brings years of classroom and administrative experience, an open and challenging mind and great communication skills to the Superintendent position. We are pleased to work with her to continue efforts to provide education to meet the needs of all students in the Hampshire Regional and the Chesterfield-Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton and Williamsburg School Districts.

Setting the Regional budget for fiscal '06 (July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006) required cooperation between the School Committee and elected officials of Chesterfield, Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton and Williamsburg. State funding increased little from fiscal '05 and any increase in reimbursement for regional transportation was hardly noticeable. Hampshire Regional continued sharing of District financial data with the towns to help local officials understand our financial situation and needs. The five towns each faced their own budget problems and assistance was difficult especially as Williamsburg and Westhampton were faced with a second year of increased regional assessments under the state budgeting formula. The Regional School Committee adopted and the towns supported a final '06 budget of \$9,181,144 for the Regional School District which represented a 2.1 % increase over the District's Fiscal '05 budget. The budget improvements in FY '06 resulted in the hiring of a third administrator to help school climate and issues of attendance and discipline. This added position has help free up the other administrators for greater focus on staff evaluation and improvement and other issues related keeping an 875 student institution current with state and federal requirements.

Principal Jim Connolly has continued to engage the citizens of the five towns with issues concerning the future of education at Hampshire Regional. He presented the efforts of months of meetings in his New Directions proposal in spring 2005. His efforts recognize the changing face of education in the early twenty-first century and the need to provide the resources to assist students with a greater variety of educational interests with a greater number of resources. This is a matter for continuing discussion especially in light of the financial resources of the state and five towns. Planning for necessary educational change is difficult without resources. The budget preparation for FY '07, begun in November 2005, is running up against increases in a number of areas such as electricity, fuel and insurance that reduces the ability of the District to add necessary programs. The fate of the alternative program, a program to address special needs of students within our own building, save out-placement costs and the District money in the long run and which was lost in FY '06 due to financial constraints, and the recognized need for an additional math teacher and a foreign language teacher in FY '07 are hanging

in the balance against electricity, fuel and insurance increases. The year 2005 also saw continued preparation for a NEASC accrediting site visit in March 2006 which is important as it certifies that the school meets recognized educational standards.

Hampshire's results on the state's MCAS examination continued to show improvement. The School Committee has continued its commitment to maintaining our traditional goals of a balanced, broad and humane education for every student and to strive to prepare our students to meet state mandates and for their role as life-long learning citizens and future leaders of our communities and nation. Hampshire's administrators were required by the state to respond to a state review and provide information to show that the District is continuing its work to resolve the issue of underperformance on the MCAS by some of our special education students. We are required to assist all students in meeting state MCAS requirements and improving MCAS achievement. In addition, the state was concerned about the continuity between the curriculums, especially in mathematics, in the four elementary districts in preparing sixth graders for the transition to Hampshire. Dr. Ripa is working to provide for greater coordination so that entering seventh graders at Hampshire have a more common background to prepare them for the requirements at Hampshire.

The Hampshire Regional Building Committee ended 2005 with just a meeting or two necessary to complete the building project. They have attended over a hundred meetings over the life of the project and we owe them a debt of gratitude for their long commitment to improving the buildings and grounds at Hampshire Regional. We thank them for their service. It is expected that 2006 will see a final project audit and a pay down by the state of a portion of the costs of the project which will help town finances.

The year 2005 was a time of continued challenge and transition for Hampshire Regional and your School Committee. The Committee continues to work to provide our children with the best education we can in difficult economic times. We value the excellent work of the Regional School staff and administration. Our teachers and counselors, aides, custodians, cafeteria staff, coaches and other support personnel and our administrators, both at the Regional School and in the Superintendent's Office remain our valued partners and colleagues in this endeavor. We continue our work with them and with the students, parents and residents of the five towns to meet the challenges of 2006.

I would be remiss if I failed to say how proud the Hampshire school community is of its girls' varsity basketball team and their achievement of a second state division II title in the last three years in March 2005. Further, our girls' varsity soccer team won its first Western Massachusetts division II championship in November 2005 and Easthampton High's cooperative varsity football team with a strong Hampshire Regional contingent won its first super bowl championship in December 2005. We salute all our students who strive for excellence in the classroom, on the athletic field and in the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Brad Brousseau, Chair,
Hampshire Regional School Committee

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - 2005

It is with pleasure that I share with you this annual report for 2005. I started in the position of Superintendent on August 4, 2005 and continue to be very pleased and honored to serve as you in this role. I am pleased to be able to report on several important initiatives that took place throughout our school districts in 2005 and I will share these with you throughout this report.

One important Regional initiative, affecting all five districts, was the School District Examination Report prepared by The Education Management Audit Council for The Office of Educational Quality and Accountability or more informally known as the EQA report. The Office of EQA is a function of the state legislature and is intended to insure that NCLB (No Child Left Behind) requirements are met by schools in Massachusetts. The Office of EQA is independent from the Department of Education (DOE), but works in cooperation with the DOE to collect school data. The EQA examined the Hampshire Regional School District and Chesterfield-Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton and Williamsburg School District (CSWW) in mid May of 2005. While much of the information will prove useful in formulating school and district improvement plans, other pieces of information are not as useful due to the fact that the EQA treated the four elementary districts as if they were part of one greater district. "Due to the EQA's examination mechanism and based on these districts' data and their shared superintendent, the districts were combined for reporting purposes during the time period of the report, which was 2001-2004." (The Commonwealth of Massachusetts School District Examination Report: Hampshire Regional School District, September 16, 2005).

Major areas of focus for the EQA report include, Assessment & Evaluation, Curriculum & Instruction, Academic Support Services, Leadership, Governance & Organization and Business & Finance. In each category the report identified areas of strength and areas in which attention is needed. The Administrative Council, under the direction of the Superintendent and with the support of the School Committees, is constructing a plan for addressing the identified deficiencies and to move the school district forward.

NEW HINGHAM REGIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Last winter, students and staff at **New Hingham Regional Elementary School** completed their Walk Across Massachusetts as part of a school wide health and fitness activity. Many classes walked on their own during morning break, attempting to complete their second Walk. In October, principal Santucci attended a wellness conference in Worcester as part of a district-wide initiative to develop a Health and Wellness Policy for the school. Principal Santucci and Nurse Brown will work with New Hingham staff members to develop a proposed policy for adoption by the school committee in the spring of 2006. This new policy is a state mandate for all public school districts in Massachusetts.

This is New Hingham's third and final year for their "Jump Up and Go" Program. This exercise and fitness program has achieved statewide recognition. In October, Nurse Brown and Ms. Kurowski attended the annual "Jump Up and Go" conference and were asked to present New Hingham's program for 2004-2005 through posters and pictures.

Math has been an area of focus for teachers at New Hingham Elementary. Four math teachers and Principal Santucci attended an HEC meeting with teachers from other towns. The topic was "Math Coaching: How Does It Look?" This activity is one of many planned to help explore math-teaching strategies. During a professional half day, the staff examined the new math program and discussed how it correlates with a variety of math teaching strategies. In March, teachers attended a conference called "The Neuropsychology of Mathematics: Developing Mathematical Ideas". In May, teachers continued their discussion of "Developing Mathematical Ideas".

"Readers as Leaders" is a program that recognizes students who enjoy reading. The program sponsored a variety of activities throughout the school year including a movie to recognize readers. In March the activity was a sledding party followed by hot chocolate and in April the "Readers as Leaders" were treated to a roller skating event

The PTO sponsored a variety of activities throughout the school year. One activity was a family movie night that brought students and families into school one snowy night during February vacation. During their annual book fair, the organization raised \$900.00 with an additional \$400.00 donation to teachers' classrooms. The annual band and chorus performance for Senior Citizens could not have been the success that it was without the help of the PTO that provided baked treats and drinks after the evening performance. The PTO also sponsored the Holiday Bazaar and PTO volunteers helped to prepare and run the first New Hingham Arts & Crafts Festival held in December. In addition to all of these

activities, the PTO also provided those “extras” that are hard to come by for some of our students and we are grateful to them and their generosity.

In September under the direction of Mrs. Lynch, grade 6 teacher, and Mrs. Whitcomb, grade 6 aid, students developed and coordinated a “Drain The Delta” project. The project consisted of a mural of New Orleans that came to life over time. As the waters dissipated, life returned to the streets in the form of flowers on the balconies, musicians playing in the buildings and people on the streets going about their day-to-day lives. The lowering of the water was in direct correlation with the raising of funds. In total, students and staff at the school raised over \$1,000.00 that was sent to the Red Cross to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The nutrition committee has been meeting to develop a school nutrition policy. Important aspects of the policy address beverages that will be available through the school lunch program, the prohibition of candy and low-nutrient foods being sold as fund raisers, removing food as a classroom reward and the removal of vending machines from the school. Members of this committee have also attended “Healthy Choices” meetings in Holyoke.

In the fall the school committee was notified that they would be working with a financial advisory oversight board established by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue as part of legislation approved on behalf of Chesterfield and Goshen. Through this legislation, a process was established by which the towns will be able to borrow money to address the financial irregularities and deficiencies and become debt free over the next ten years. As part of the guidelines of the statute, the school committee will work with the advisory board with regard to all financial matters including the development of a budget for school year 2006-2007.

WILLIAM E. NORRIS SCHOOL

The **William E. Norris School in Southampton** said hello and goodbye to a number of school employees in 2005. Hosea Jones retired after teaching 32 years in Southampton. Last spring Hosea was instrumental in securing 27 computers, affectionately known as “the COWs” (computers on wheels), which were purchased through a REAP (Rural Education Achievement Program) Grant. The computers are on a cart and are signed out by teachers who wheel them into their classrooms for use by students for a variety of activities. The Norris School misses Hosea and wishes him well.

Rebecca Nicoll left her position as school secretary, Lewis Bresciano resigned his position as Kitchen Manager and Theresa Morse left her position as cook. Paraprofessionals Marie Hotham, Sheryl Brighenti and Jed Dion also said goodbye to Norris School in June.

Paul Wilson was hired as a Special Education teacher for grades 5 and 6 and Mia Chartrand and Kristen Heath were both hired to teach grade 5 students. Melissa Haskins was hired to teach grade 1 and Pati Mari is the new school librarian. Several paraprofessionals were also hired: Pauline Webster, Lisa York, Amy Bzdel, Sandy Klich, Mary Millay, Sheryl Brighenti, Kathy Sullivan and Sheri LaPlant. Kathy Reynolds and David Hayes were hired as cooks. Beth LaBerge is the new monitor, Brenda Thibault is a school secretary and Daniel Demarey has been added to the custodial team.

Principal Bill Collins worked hard to bring back some of the programs lost due to budget cuts in recent years. Through his efforts and his careful work with the school committee, the Norris School was able to reinstate a full-time librarian, a full-time custodian, a .5 Reading Recovery teacher and two full-time classroom teachers. Through the addition of the new teachers, class size was reduced from an average of 20.24 to 18.5.

A new program was adopted by Norris School in the fall. It is the New Teacher Induction/Mentoring Program. Under the guidance of Sue Teese, teachers new to the elementary will be welcomed and oriented and mentored through this rigorous and supportive program.

The Norris School became a School of Choice for the first time this year. Ten students were accepted as School of Choice students. The revenue gained through this effort allowed the school to finance the addition of one of the two new fifth grade teachers.

The School Safety Committee has worked diligently on several initiatives involving crisis response and emergency preparedness. They have purchased new equipment including AEDs (Automatic External Defibrillators) and new radios, school check-in software and equipment to screen and assist school visitors. Through their efforts the defibrillators were installed outside the cafetorium and gymnasium. The committee also developed a school traffic plan that separates parent

drop-off traffic from the bus circle. The addition of a sidewalk along the side of the building connects the parent drop-off area to the school walkway. The School Safety Committee sponsored extensive restraint training for faculty and staff, baby-sitting courses for students, CPR instruction for adults and safe food handling instruction for cafeteria workers.

Norris staff worked on several math initiatives. Sixth grade teachers opened up a dialog with Hampshire Regional staff to discuss continuity of math instruction for students moving from Norris Elementary to the middle school at Hampshire Regional. The MCAS Math Data Subcommittee analyzed Norris math results to inform future math instruction. The \$18,000.00 appropriated at the annual town meeting for new textbooks will be used to purchase math texts in the spring of 2006.

In the fall, 10 additional computers were purchased again through a REAP Grant for teacher use and a 10 computer mini-lab for the library was also secured. Teachers at Norris learned how to use video streaming through a subscription that provides them with over 40,000 video clips that can be used for instructional purposes. The Norris school website went under major renovations and if you haven't visited it yet, you really should. You will find it at www.wmnorris.com. Norris School also adopted a computer grading system this year called PowerGrade, which allows teachers to record, average and report out grades electronically as a means of keeping parents abreast of their child's academic progress. Support for using the COWs comes from two teachers who have been identified as tech support teachers and Kim Florek, the technology coordinator for Hampshire Regional.

The Norris School Council worked diligently to create a School Improvement Plan. This comprehensive document truly reflects the school and is based on information gained through an extensive school community survey. Topics addressed in the plan include student behavior, standard based instruction and community support. Members of the committee include the principal, parents, teachers, a school committee member and a community representative.

Principal Collins has systematically addressed a number of concerns within the physical plant. Through his diligent efforts, roof leak problems have now been resolved and he is working with school committee and town to address concerns regarding a school security system and the problem of excessive heat in the classrooms, especially in the first and last months of the school year.

Megan Johnson, a pre-school teacher at the Wm E. Norris School in Southampton, was honored as last years' recipient of the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award. Megan, in the first year of her career according to Principal Collins, was recognized because she goes above and beyond in her participation in school-wide endeavors such as, School Council and teacher search committees. In her community, she leads a Girl Scout troop and volunteers at the Eric Carl Museum in Amherst. Sponsored by the Harold Grinspoon Charitable Foundation, the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes the importance of teaching in the lives of children in our society and in the communities where they live, and is meant to encourage and support these extraordinary individuals in their commitment to teaching. Most recipients are experienced teachers, but awards are also given to new teachers who typify the positive future of education and the profession.

WESTHAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

At **Westhampton Elementary School**, there is a new Special Education Aide. Alison LaBrecque was hired to replace Hedi Kinner. Congratulations to Hedi on securing her first teaching job in Florida. Lisa Norris is working part-time in our school library under grant funding. She replaced Diane Rose who moved to Florida. Best of luck to Diane. Laurie Kenzel has replaced Mrs. Kurowske as our COTA Aide. Becky Raymond has been hired to replace Diane Lafosse, who retired as our part-time Special Education Aide. Michelle Feldman is doing instrumental lessons after school on a fee basis. She is augmenting the music services that Dan Klimoski has been providing.

Westhampton Elementary is happy to announce that Mrs. King, our third grade teacher and Mrs. Finnie, our sixth grade teacher are both expecting babies in June 2006. This will be Mrs. King's second baby and Mrs. Finnie's first. Congratulations to both families.

Mrs. Lucia, the art teacher, is nearing completion of a ceramic tile mural as part of a team effort involving various classrooms and community volunteers. If you have not had a chance to see the mural, you've been missing out on a very exciting and impressive display.

The PTO president, Nancy Ronan, recently resigned her position. Much thanks to Nancy for her many years of dedicated service to the school. This year the PTO suspended fund raising activities to allow parents to participate in fund raising efforts for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The Elementary School has been playing host to a community coalition involving HRHS and Westhampton Elementary and other community groups interested in helping those in need. The community collected new books to donate to victims in the Pass Christian School System in New Orleans. Students at the school also participated in making journals and collecting money and gift certificates to benefit survivors of this devastating hurricane.

This year an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) was installed in the school. This life saving device is a welcome part of the Westhampton Elementary Safety Program. Thank you to community members, Bob Miller and Lee Douchkoff, for volunteering their time to train many members of the Westhampton and Hampshire Regional staffs.

Principal Deane Bates has been working with his staff to develop a more definitive scope and sequence for the science curriculum. The staff is using district documents to identify the next steps in choosing units to be taught at various grade levels. Future efforts will involve taking a look at matching the materials to the activities and identifying the outcomes they are seeking from each of the science activities.

WILLIAMSBURG SCHOOLS

In the **Williamsburg** schools the year 2005 was once again a busy and active one for the entire school community. The focus on professional development efforts continued to address the review and alignment of the mathematics curriculum. Staff members also initiated their first use of a standards-based report card, which provides parents with information regarding their child's success in attaining proficiency at the state identified level for each of the major content areas.

On March 15, 2005 the schools held their first annual Williamsburg Arts Adventure Day. This school-wide activity was coordinated by the Williamsburg Arts Cultural Council, a school group and included over 20 artists who signed up to work with students in a variety of mediums. The guest artists included, dancers, storytellers, musicians, theatrical performers, visual artists and a potter. The event was sponsored by funds raised by the Cultural Council both through grants and solicitations. Students in each class participated in three art events throughout the morning.

In May 2005, teacher Sherrie Marti was honored with the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award. Sponsored by the Harold Grinspoon Charitable Foundation, the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes the importance of teaching in the lives of children in our society and in the communities where they live, and is meant to encourage and support these extraordinary individuals in their commitment to teaching. Sherrie is a kindergarten and a lead inclusion teacher at the Helen E. James School in Williamsburg. According to principal Fred Venne who nominated her, Sherrie's collaborative nature and cooperative attitude make things work in the schools, in town and in the five districts. Sherrie has worked to develop an accredited Early Childhood Development Program in Williamsburg, and contributes to the life of the community by serving on the School Council, the Superintendent Search Committee, the local School Building Committee, the local Arts Council, and serves as a member of the School Committee for Hampshire Regional. Her annual effort to raise funds through a plant sale has directly benefited the school. Sherrie helped install playground equipment at the Helen E. James School, and spearheaded a community-based gardening program that is now integrated into the daily curriculum of the school.

The PTO sponsored many activities throughout the year. The March spaghetti dinner and science night was a huge success. Those who participated, enjoyed a wonderful dinner and many hours of hands-on science experiences. Other PTO sponsored events included the book fair, basket raffle and Teacher Appreciation Week. Many thanks to Donna Gingras and her hearty team of volunteers: Tiffany Chapman, Melissa Payson, Leslie Smith, Tracy McFadden, Scott DeLoach, Cheri Gagnon, Shelley Walker, Laurie Cote and Dee Carriere.

Jennifer Grader joined the Williamsburg staff as a Spanish teacher and Artist in Residence for the spring of 2005. Dr. Thomas Neilson joined the staff in September 2005 as the K-5 Spanish Language teacher. The world language department now consists of classroom teachers, Ameila Wright, Lisa Peloquin and Tom Neilson.

It was a sad goodbye in November when school nurse Kathy Marek retired after 27 years of compassion and care for the children and staff in the school community. Kathy, we will miss you and wish you well. Heather Holquist replaced Mrs. Marek as the district school nurse.

The pre-school program launched a new opportunity for Williamsburg families in the fall. On Friday mornings, the Helen E. James school holds a community pre-school cooperative. This is a drop-in center for families and children, birth to five years old. Families need not have their children enrolled in the Williamsburg pre-school program to take advantage of this social opportunity for their children. Memberships are available on a sliding fee scale and are arranged through Dr. Julie Culhane, Director of District Pre-School Programs. She can be reached at 413-527-7200.

Williamsburg children have had the opportunity to participate in a number exciting extra curricular activities. Upon a recent visit to the schools, one would see signs announcing, "the salmon are here". Through their posters, the students were announcing that the salmon eggs have arrived and their annual salmon restoration project has begun. Salmon eggs are introduced to a tank in one of the classrooms where they are allowed to mature into young salmon. In April of each year, the young salmon are released into the Connecticut River to spawn and help repopulate the river. The gardening project continues to expand. In the spring, through the hard work of classroom teachers and Catherine Sands (parent), the school received solid support for the gardening work from: New England Grassroots Environment Fund, The Community Foundation of Western MA, The MASS Agriculture in the Classroom, The Area Foundation, The Vervane Foundation, The Hilltown CDC, individuals in the community and Annie's Garden Shop & Bear Path Farm. In the fall of 2005 vegetables raised in the school garden were incorporated into the cafeteria menus and enjoyed by students and staff alike. Additionally, Principal Venne has been working with Nuestras Raices and CISA to raise funds to deepen the collaborative work they are doing with students in Holyoke through a project called "Growing Community". Out of this project, has come the idea to paint a mural on the school depicting gardening and the relationship between Williamsburg and Holyoke students. The mural will be completed sometime in 2006.

HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

This past spring, **Hampshire Regional High School (HRHS)** said goodbye to English Teacher, Holly Hargraves. Holly was first hired as a permanent substitute teacher on May 10, 1974 and was later appointed to a permanent position. Holly was replaced by Tobin Ritt and Tobin was joined by Jenny Kirouac, hired to teach math, Sue Touchet and Shelley Seymour both hired to teach science, Jessica Rigollaud, library media technical assistant and Nhamo Magadza, hired to teach physical education. The high school was also fortunate enough to be able to restore the third administrative position. Mark Folta was hired as an Assistant Principal in charge of student affairs and discipline.

The NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) evaluation continues to be a focus at HRHS. For the past year and a half, faculty and administration worked on their Self-Study and prepared reports on the seven standards to be evaluated. The seven standards include; Mission and Expectations, Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Leadership and Organization, School Resources for Learning and Community Resources for Learning. Along with the reports on the seven standards, school personnel produced a report titled "School and Community Profile". In March 2006 the 15-member evaluation team will ascend on Hampshire Regional for four days and evaluate how well the school is meeting the seven NEASC standards. A final report on the evaluation will be made available to the school before the end of the school year.

This past June, Hampshire Regional High School graduated 104 Seniors. During class day, 73 students were awarded local scholarships and awards totaling \$19,370.00. Forty-seven students went on to four- or five-year colleges/universities (19 to public and 28 to private institutions). Twenty-nine students went on to two-year colleges (28 to public and 1 to private). Fourteen students went on to specialized schools. One student elected the military. Six students went onto the world of work and seven students declared themselves undecided as to the direction of their future.

In the fall, the High School started a Parent-Teacher-Student Organization. In response to a parent survey conducted by the School Council two years ago, the PTSO is working to find ways to connect the sending elementary schools, encourage more community use of the high school facilities, foster closer working relationships between Hampshire Regional and it's member communities and promote a positive image of Hampshire Regional throughout the region by publicizing the quality of its programs. Membership in the PTSO is open to all members of the five towns. For more information, please check the high school newsletter posted on their website: www.hrhs.net.

Students at Hampshire Regional High School continue to perform at or above the state standard in all areas of MCAS. English Language Arts in grades 7 and 10 and math in grade 10 continue to be areas of strength at Hampshire Regional. An area for improvement is our special education population, which failed to meet adequate yearly progress (AYP) for the second year in a row. School personnel continue to focus on helping these students improve their skills for future MCAS testing.

Beginning in the fall of 2003, the Future Directions Committee identified seven proposals to improve the way the school structures and delivers curriculum to students. Out of this committee's work, came the recommendation to hire the third administrator. This took place in August 2005. Another area of focus was course offerings at the High School, especially in science. The committee is working to increase the number of science electives offered.

During the summer, two groups of high school staff and teachers met to work on very important initiatives. One was to revise the Code of Conduct section of the Student-Family Handbook. Another committee worked to prepare an Attendance Code & Procedures and proposed an attendance policy to the school committee. The work of these committees was adopted by the school committee this past fall. The new Attendance Policy will go into effect the second semester of school year 2005-2006.

Hampshire Regional took two large steps to promote the use of technology at the high school. In September, HRHS started using a new student management software program called "Power School". This software enables school personnel to take attendance, record grades, and produce reports to parents and families regarding attendance and academic performance. Aside from a few glitches along the way, school personnel feel this program has enhanced communication between school and home. The Superintendent's Office started using a software program called "Connect Ed" to inform families of weather conditions that could cause school delays or cancellations as well as to inform them of upcoming special events such as report cards and academic/social events. By all reports, families have appreciated this increased contact from the school.

Dr. George Biggs, a middle school English teacher at Hampshire Regional, was nominated by principal Connolly to receive the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award and was honored at ceremonies at the Log Cabin Restaurant on May 3, 2005. Since his first appointment to the Hampshire Regional faculty in 1972, George had demonstrated excellence in teaching and in his commitment to personal, professional development by earning a doctorate degree while teaching full-time. Dr. Biggs is a middle school Team Leader and has co-chaired the school's Mission Statement Committee for the NEASC accreditation. He is highly respected by peers, students and parents as a consummate professional. Sponsored by the Harold Grinspoon Charitable Foundation, the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes the importance of teaching in the lives of children in our society and in the communities where they live, and is meant to encourage and support these extraordinary individuals in their commitment to teaching. Our congratulations to George and the other award winners for 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Ripa, Superintendent

Annual Report of the Board of Health

Williamsburg, along with Ashfield, Goshen and Whately, is a member of the Foothills Health District which employed our Health Agent, Jaqueline Duda. She replaces Maxine Schmidt who resigned to pursue another career. Ms. Schmidt was an excellent representative of the Town and Ms. Duda is a worthy successor. Primary responsibilities of the Health Agent include supervising septic system installations, conducting sanitary inspections of food handling establishments, and enforcing tobacco sale regulations.

Recycling continues to be important to reduce costs and protect the environment. During the last half of 2005 we received an average of \$28.58 per ton, up from \$15.67 returning \$4,154 to the Town's credit. Separating reusable materials from trash and garbage is important. We have ordered a second box for recyclables to reduce hauling costs, now \$100 per load, even if not full. As fuel costs rise this will become even more important.

Plans are being developed to make possible mass immunization in the event of an epidemic of a preventable disease. Tobacco sales to minors resulted in two citations and one fine.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira Gabrielson
Donna Gibson
Don Lawton

Annual Report of Highland Ambulance EMS

Operations. Highland Ambulance is the primary ambulance service provider for the towns of Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Plainfield and Williamsburg. At the start of 2005 this service was provided through agreements to manage the Goshen Fire Department Ambulance Service and the Town of Ashfield Ambulance Service. On February 28, Highland Ambulance was issued its license to operate a Paramedic level ambulance service in Massachusetts. At that time we leased one of Goshen's ambulances to operate as a Highland ambulance. On July 1, Highland leased the Ashfield ambulance. This ambulance continues to be garaged in Ashfield. At that time the Town of Ashfield Ambulance Service ceased to operate as an ambulance service. In November, Highland received its Medicare provider certification. We are currently in the process of completing Medicaid and Blue Cross certification. We anticipate being fully operational under the Highland Ambulance license early in 2006.

Staff. Highland began 2005 with an active roster of 33 EMT's including 5 paramedics. During the year we have enhanced our staff so that at the end of 2005 we had a roster of 47 EMT's including 10 paramedics. Also, two of our EMT's are currently in the final stages of Paramedic training and we anticipate that they will obtain paramedic licenses in the first half of 2006.

Emergency Responses. During 2005 Highland responded to 432 emergency calls. These are broken down by Town as follows:

Ashfield	85
Chesterfield	47
Cummington	65
Goshen	68
Plainfield	31
Williamsburg	136

Out of these responses, 206 required advanced life support services of a paramedic.

We are grateful for the continued support of your regional ambulance service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Highland Ambulance Board of Directors

Ashfield	Bill Perlman
Chesterfield	Spencer Timm
Cummington	James Drawe
Goshen	Donald Boisvert
Plainfield	Joseph Sabourin
Williamsburg	Christopher Smith
At-Large	Francis Dresser
At-Large	Bernard Forgea
At-Large	Douglas Mollison



Williamsburg Highway Department

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Along with all of the normal yearly maintenance and snow removal the following construction projects were done:

The first 4000 feet of South St., all the paved section of Briar Hill Rd., Old Goshen Rd, and the first 2700 feet of Petticoat Hill Rd. were edged and shimmed to help with drainage then sealed with a new rubberized chip seal. So far I'm very pleased with the new product and will be using more of it.

Drainage was installed from # 12 to # 29 Village Hill Rd. This has taken care of the edges washing out and done away with the deep ditch on the west side of the road.

The sidewalk on the north side of North Main St. was removed and replaced with a new black top sidewalk.

The sewer was extended on Village Hill Rd. from Old Goshen Rd. to # 65 Village Hill Rd It was also extended from the intersection of Old Goshen Rd. and Village Hill Rd. to # 10 Old Goshen Rd.

I would like to thank the Highway crew, Don Turner, Ken Taylor and Pete Banister, for their dedicated service to the Town of Williamsburg Highway Department and all the subcontractors that help with snow removal.

Thank You
Highway Superintendent
Bill Turner



Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative

Eric Weiss, Administrator

HRMC

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Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative Annual Report for FY 05' July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005

The HRMC is a unique cooperative regional organization which was created in 1989 by the towns of Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield, Westhampton, Williamsburg and Worthington. The primary mission of the HRMC is to assist it's member Towns with the planning and management of their solid waste management and recycling programs and since 1989 the HRMC has been doing just that.

On annual basis the HRMC assists your Town in the following ways;

- 1) Budget savings on annual disposal costs through the development of and ongoing monitoring of the comprehensive waste management and recycling programs in all HRMC member Towns.
- 2) Assist the Town and local officials with the Town transfer station/recycling center operations and budget planning.
- 3) Help protect the environment through the recycling of glass bottles, metal cans, plastic bottles, office paper, newspaper, junk mail, envelopes, cardboard, electronics, tires, propane tanks, paint, clothes and other common household products.
- 4) Operating the Household Hazardous Waste collections and Paint and Electronics Collection recycling programs to help keep toxic materials out of our local environment
- 5) Assisting local officials with DEP enforcement related issues.
- 6) Assist Town with the bidding of recycling hauling, solid waste hauling, disposal contracts and transfer station equipment
- 7) Assist your Town with the development new recycling programs.
- 8) Obtaining cash and equipment grants to assist your Town.
- 9) Advocate on behalf of its member Towns with State legislators.

The HRMC Administrator, Eric Weiss, our one and only employee helps all HRMC member Towns with these many tasks. Last year the HRMC helped the Towns (combined) recycle over 2750 tons of materials, saving the Towns over \$192,500 in direct disposal costs and earning the Towns over \$25,000 each year in recycling revenues!

We look forward to continuing to assist you and your Town save money and protect the environment. If you have any questions about recycling or have a waste disposal problem, please call us at (413) 268 - 3845 or email us hrmc@crocker.com.

Eric Weiss
Administrator, HRMC
1/23/06

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

TOWN OF WILLIAMSBURG

Office of the
Historical Commission
Haydenville, MA 01039-0447

ANNUAL REPORT 2005

Historical Commission

The Historical Commission, under the direction of the Town Clerk, has continued in an effort to make early records of the Town more accessible to the public, copying and indexing in Saturday morning workshop sessions. Personal Property Mortgages have been indexed from 1821 to 1950. All vital records from 1765 through 1943 have been copied to minimize the handling of the originals. Book I of Town Meeting Records (1771-1818) has been indexed in reference to all persons, roads and public. Historical and genealogical information has been compiled from Town Records, registered deeds and many other sources, on land use, succession of ownership, and many of the early families in town. This information is made available on request. This past year Members of the Commission have assisted the Town Clerk in responding to numerous requests from local and visiting researchers for specific genealogical and historical information.

AASLH Award - *In the Shadow of the Dam* by Elizabeth M. Sharpe of Amherst, published by Simon & Schuster Free Press in 2004, a comprehensive, historically accurate, non-fiction, about the Williamsburg industrial disaster of 1874 and life in those times, has received the American Association of State and Local History Award for exemplary presentation and interpretation.

With hopes that the site of the failed dam which caused the 1874 disaster would be accessible to researchers and interested visitors, Commission members have made arrangements with the owners of a new residence at the end of Judd Lane to traverse their private property, however, only on a controlled, prearranged basis.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralmon Jon Black, Chair
Eric W. Weber, Clerk
Mary Bisbee
David Majercik
Sarah C. Palmer

Williamsburg Libraries Annual Report 2005

Library Statistics and Services 2005

Circulation and Inter-Library Loan jumped considerably this year. During FY'05 patrons using the Meekins Library borrowed a total of 70,179 books, periodicals, audiocassettes (books on tape), videos, and other materials from the library. During the year our library lent 4,850 items to other libraries and borrowed 6,051 items from other libraries through the statewide inter-library loan system. The Meekins Library was open a total of 1,285 hours. 50 people volunteered 3,500 hours to the library. The Haydenville Library circulated 463 items and was open 235 hours thanks to the generosity of Volunteers. As of July 2004 1888 patrons had registered at the library as part of the CW/MARS system. The Meekins Library served as the school library for the 20th year. Pre-school story-time with Rochelle Wildfong was offered at the Meekins Library each Wednesday at 10.

Summer Reading Program

The annual Summer Reading Program made possible by donations from Mark Rosenzweig, of ACME Surplus, Victoria Loud, of the Loud Family Sugar House, Library Director Lisa Wenner as well as an annual donation from the Friends of the Williamsburg Libraries and support from the Western Massachusetts Regional Library was a huge success. At our annual kick-off party participants lined up to make their own sundaes. Over 200 children signed up to read books and win prizes. Authors, Anna Kirwan, Anne Turner and Ellen Wittlinger all read from new books at the library as part of the Summer Reading Program/

Library Programs

Sylvia Hemminger and others organized an evening of music in October. A memorial service was held in the Hawks~Hayden Room for Greta Carey. A sale of her paintings benefited the Williamsburg Library and the Florence Hill Institute. Two Williamsburg residents were married in the Hawks~Hayden Room this year. The Hawks~Hayden Meeting Room was used 298 times throughout the year. This year the Williamsburg Libraries hosted a group of library professionals from the Country of Kyrgyzstan. The librarians from Kyrgyzstan were part of a training program held by the Institute for Training and Development of Amherst. The Library web-site www.meekinslibrary.org continues to provide access to the Library catalog, databases and other information thanks to our volunteer webmaster Steve Berlin Chavez.

Friends of the Library

Nel Wijnhoven and the Friends of the Library organized a Reading Discussion Group that was held on four Sundays starting in February. Participants read novels and autobiographies from Muslim countries. Once again the Friends with help from the local cultural council offered their popular Sunday Music program held at Nash Hill Place. The Friends held two Book Sales and a very successful Garden Tour organized by Susan Van Dyne was held in June.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Wenner, Library Director

Anne Haxo, Chair, Sue Froehlich, Treasurer, Jim Locke, Building Committee Building Liaison,
Pat Billingsley, Mary Gabrielson, Chris Loring Williamsburg Board of Library Trustees

Annual Report of the Planning Board

The Planning Board met twenty times in 2005. Meetings are scheduled at 7:00 on the first and third Mondays of each month, with the exception of holidays. Meetings are held in the Town Office building on the second floor.

There were thirteen applications for sub-division approval not required (A.N.R.). All applications were approved.

One joint public hearing with the Shade Tree Committee, serving as tree warden, was held to determine the removal of public shade trees.

The Planning Board held hearings for two changes to the By-Law, one to rezone a portion of South Main Street and the second to update the Water Supply Protection District.

The subdivision control regulations were reviewed and several changes implemented.

During 2005 Warren White resigned as the Planning Board representative to the Brassworks Reuse Committee. We thank Warren for representing the Board and wish him well. Martin Mahoney was appointed to replace Warren.

Neal Anderson did not seek reappointment. Neal served many years on the Planning Board and his insights will be missed. Andy Soles was appointed to the Planning Board in Neal's place. Katherine Baker was also appointed to fill a vacancy.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Bisbee, Chairman
Andy Soles, Clerk
James Lawrence
Martin Mahoney
Timothy McQueston
Katherine Baker
Peter Pelland (resigned)

2005 Annual Report of the Police Department

As most of you know, this past year was full of change. At the end of fiscal year 2005 (June 30, 2005), the police department was comprised of one officer. Two officers were not reappointed, all other officers except one resigned as did the department secretary and custodian. By the third week in July an interim chief was in place, along with a sergeant and two additional officers.

Personnel:

Interim chief of police, John W. Cotton, was appointed by the Selectmen near the end of July. He was appointed for a six-month term, and then re-appointed to a second six month term.

Officer Tyler Moore, did not resign, he was reappointed July 01, 2005 by the Selectmen. Officer Moore is still with the department.

Three experienced officers who now work full time for other police departments, and who previously worked for the town department returned.

Sergeant Denise Wickland, previously worked as a Williamsburg police officer. Ms Wickland now holds the rank of Sergeant; she is second in command of the department. Sergeant Wickland works full-time at the University of Massachusetts; she is also a sergeant for the Chesterfield police department.

Officer Dan Warner and Officer Bill Chapman have returned.

In addition to his duties in Williamsburg, Officer Warner works for the Hatfield Police Department. Dan splits his patrol time between the two communities. In addition to regular patrol duty, Dan has been available to answer after hour calls for service a majority of the time. Officer Chapman is a full time Detective with the University of Massachusetts police force, providing time to Williamsburg as his schedule at U-Mass allows. His investigative skills helped solve recent house breaks in Williamsburg.

Williamsburg is fortunate to have officers with this much training and experience, who were able and willing to work for the community during this time of change.

In December four new officers were hired; Sean Hoye, Michael Wayne, Jeff Brooks and Aimee Wallace.

Officer Hoye is a member of the Massachusetts Air National Guard. He is a Security Policeman with the 104th tactical fighter group located at Barnes Airport in Westfield Mass. Officer Hoye works part time as a police officer for the Town of Chester Mass.

Officer Wayne, works full time as a police officer at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Leeds, MA.

Officer Brooks and Officer Wallace recently completed their basic police training through the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Academy.

New officers are now receiving field training with on duty town officers. Officers Hoye and Wayne will begin patrol duty shortly. Officers Brooks and Wallace should be available for solo patrol duty by spring 2006.

Pat Kirouac joined the department in October as Administrative Assistant. In addition to day to day office tasks, Pat works at locating and applying for Grants with Sergeant Wickland.

Much of August until December 2005 was spent reactivating the department.

All the department vehicles required maintenance and repair work for them to be operational. Building maintenance needs were addressed as best possible.

Community police patrols were instituted in town. Officers were assigned to park their cruiser, providing foot patrol in both Williamsburg and Haydenville. Members of the community have provided positive feedback to the department for this effort.

The department applied for and received \$11,299 in grant funding for Community Policing. This grant will be used for officer training, upgrading the cruiser computers, paging, and police software annual license fees. Sergeant Wickland was instrumental in obtaining this grant.

Fire Chief Don Lawton fostered an atmosphere of mutual cooperation by hosting a steak roast at the fire station in August 2005. Police officers and fire fighters were able to meet each other and socialize.

Joint cooperation efforts were instituted between police and fire departments. This included both departments attending and participating in joint training. Fire Chief Don Lawton and I felt this training would help each department have a better understanding of the other. This should lead to better service to the community.

The fire department has been a big help in getting the police department operational. Starting in August, both departments took turns mowing the lawn, and performing other maintenance tasks at the police station.

Highway superintendent Bill Turner offered use of the town refueling facility. Fuel savings have been realized due to bulk purchasing by the town for gasoline. Mr. Turner also offered the service of the town mechanic for motor vehicle repair on an "as time permits basis".

License to Carry Firearms "LTC's" town residents are now able to apply for the license to carry firearms any day of the week the department is open. A schedule of hours is posted on the front door. The department will soon be using a new online license system. The software has been provided by the Commonwealth of Mass, we are now waiting for an opening in the class which provides required training in the use of the new system. Officers are not allowed to attend the class prior to software being installed. The new system will shorten the wait time between application for and receipt of the license.

Members of the Police Department participated in the Equipment Day held at the Anne T. Dunphy School on October 3rd.

2005 Year End Statistics

- Number of calls handled (all types) 538
- Arrests 41
- Motor vehicle accident responses 48
- Motor vehicle citations issued 215

A “thank you” goes out to the citizens of Williamsburg. The community has been very supportive of the police force. Residents have understood when various police functions have taken longer than normal while the restructuring has been taking place.

Respectfully Submitted by:

John W. Cotton
Chief of Police

Annual Report of the Select Board

2005 was a busy year again for the Board of Selectmen. We welcomed Denise Banister who replaced Selectman Chris Morris. Chris stepped down after six years of dedicated service and we thank him for his efforts on behalf of the Town. The Board re-organized with David "Rabbitt" Haskell taking the Chair and Eric Cerreta taking over as Clerk.

While the Board made literally dozens of decisions during the year, the biggest challenge in 2005 was the sudden resignation of most of our police department on June 30, 2005 that apparently was in protest of the non-re-appointment of two of the officers. The Board would like to thank Officer Tyler Moore for staying on the department and former officers William Chapman, Daniel Warner and Denise Wickland for coming back to help rebuild the department. We owe the most thanks to John Cotton who stepped in as an interim chief to rebuild the police department. Chief Cotton is a retired supervisor from the Northampton Police Department, with over twenty five years experience in law enforcement. Since his arrival in July, it has been a challenge as the department was left effectively crippled. All of the computers, including the laptops in the cruisers, were inoperable with failed hard drives and/or viruses. There were only two backup discs provided and neither of them worked. All of the vehicles had dead batteries and the Explorer had to have all of the brakes replaced. Someone had also vandalized the Explorer by putting glue in the door locks so that the keys wouldn't work – this necessitated the locks replacement. In addition, the department had no letterhead or department forms to start with on July 1st, the start of the new fiscal year. Needless to say, substantial time and money had to be spent to get the department operational again. Our sincere thanks go to Chief Cotton for stepping in at this difficult time to help the Town and the Select Board. His patience and perseverance have paid off as the Police Department has become a department the whole town can be proud of.

This will be another difficult year for our operating budget. With the education reform formula change, our assessment at the Hampshire Regional School has grown at a much faster rate than it should have. The formula has placed what we believe to be an unfair burden on Williamsburg and, to a lesser extent, Westhampton, in order to fund the budget. For example, Williamsburg's cost per pupil is approximately \$9,700 per student, while Southampton is \$6,700. The Select Board and the Finance Committee were very vocal of our objections to this formula at the Hampshire Municipal Advisory Committee meeting this past winter. At this writing, we are hoping for some relief; but are not optimistic that we will get much this year. It has been difficult to keep level funding the budgets in town while we try to fund these increases. With school spending making up approximately 85% of the Town's appropriation, it is virtually impossible to balance our budget out of the remaining 15% that must fund our Police, Fire, Highway Departments, Library and Town Office budgets, nor is it fair. We have been fortunate for the hard work and sacrifices that have been made by our town departments over the last several years, but we cannot expect this to remain the status quo for much longer.

In closing, the Board would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone who works for our Town, whether they are one of our excellent employees who are paid or are volunteers on a board or committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric P. Cerreta
Chair

Annual Report of the Oliver Smith Will Charities

During the past year, nine tradespersons were enrolled. Loans of \$600 each were made to sixteen apprentices; the notes of twenty-four tradespersons have been surrendered and the benefit of \$600 granted to each. Two student nurses have enrolled under the Nurses' Program; three nurses who earned their degree have received the nurse's gift of \$600. Twenty-four tradespersons and three nurses received an additional distribution of \$700 each. Forty-seven widows have been paid a total of \$16,357 and fourteen brides have received the marriage gift of \$100 each. The total sum disbursed as gifts to beneficiaries was \$64,166 which includes \$11,309 that was paid to the City of Northampton for the account of Smith's Agricultural School, being the net income from the permanent fund established for the school. Additionally, \$13,669 was placed in the Reserved for Beneficiaries account.

Since provision of the Will went into effect, the beneficiaries of the nine communities have been paid:

*Tradespersons	\$2,796,800.
**Nurses	784,533.
Widows	1,663,063.
***Brides	1,488,800.
Smith's Agricultural School	1,432,606.
Annuities	35,374.
Taxes	613,717.
Total Payments	<u><u>\$8,814,893.</u></u>

*Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Boys

**Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Female Children

***Originally designated in the Will as Indigent Young Women

Mortgage payments have been made promptly and outstanding loans are up to date.

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees

John E. Devine, Jr.

Andrew F. Rohrs

James H. LaSalle, Jr.

Eric P. Cerreta

Elector under the Oliver Smith Will

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE
OTHER MONIES RECEIVED DURING FY 2005

SEWER APPLICATION FEES	54630.00
BOARD OF APPEALS	2615.00
BRASSWORKS LOAN PAYMENTS	23896.89
BUILDING INSPECTOR	16231.90
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	387.50
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	3885.00
FIRE INSPECTIONS	1291.00
GAS INSPECTOR	1101.00
BOARD OF HEALTH	54465.05
PLANNING BOARD	1595.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	2748.00
PARKING CLERK	265.00
SELECTMEN'S MISCELLANEOUS	2700.00
TOTAL	165,811.34

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT FISCAL 2005

	BEGINNING BALANCE 7/1/03	COMMITTED	REFUNDS	ABATEMENTS	LIENS & TAX TITLES	PAYMENTS	BALANCE
REAL ESTATE FY '05	0.00	3,538,312.85	7371.50	38695.07		3408096.66	98,892.62
REAL ESTATE FY'04	120,711.48		15266.72	1938.88		60162.95	73,876.37
REAL ESTATE FY'03	28,559.87					9607.02	18,952.85
REAL ESTATE FY'02	11,599.27					2025.89	9,573.38
REAL ESTATE FY'01	1,510.60					600.38	910.22
REAL ESTATE FY'00	1,329.21						1,329.21
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'05	0.00	56,424.97		376.80		51,778.16	4,270.01
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'04	2,903.96			429.89		1,045.85	1,428.22
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'03	2,205.77						2,205.77
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'02	2,889.47						2,889.47
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'01	809.93						809.93
PERSONAL PROPERTY FY'97	10.43						10.43
ROLLBACK TAX	0.00						0.00
FOREST PRODUCTS FY'05	5,479.28					5,443.28	36.00
FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY FY'04	1,711.60					1,614.60	97.00
FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY FY'03	68.75					13.75	55.00
FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY FY'01	47.50						47.50
FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY FY'00	62.50						62.50
SEWER BETTERMENT & INT FY'00	33.60						33.60
WATER LIENS 2004	6,827.87					3,048.16	3,779.71
SEWER LIENS 2004	3,236.46					1,897.25	1,339.21
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2005	232,707.19		2102.10	5,514.82		212,514.74	16,779.73
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2004	30,863.17	44,460.99	1841.56	3,244.05		66,017.97	7,903.70
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2003	8,175.70	1,133.66	1251.95	1,259.58		3,314.02	5,987.71
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2002	3,028.24		100.46			415.84	2,712.86
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2001	2,479.34					148.13	2,331.21
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2000	1,205.29					56.88	1,148.41
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 1999	1,802.08					33.75	1,768.33
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 1998	1,064.17					22.50	1,041.67
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 1997	545.94					35.63	510.31
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 1996	504.27						504.27
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 1995	408.12						408.12
MOTOR VEHICLE PREVS YRS	6,336.80						6,336.80
WATER CHARGES	59,992.63	269,260.48				187,574.22	141,678.89
SEWER CHARGES	39,191.86	120,814.36				78,841.38	81,164.84
	578,302.35	492,094.46	5,296.07	10,825.14	0.00	626,049.40	438,818.34

Annual Report of the Shade Tree Committee/Tree Warden

The Shade Tree Committee has had a busy year. Members performed 28 site visits, mostly in response to resident requests. We also did periodic drive-throughs of the town, sometimes with one of our arborist advisors, to keep an eye on the general condition of the roadside trees.

A private contractor recently cut down or pruned ten ailing trees. Soon National Grid will remove thirty more that are either dead or in severe, irreversible decline, bringing us up to date on our long-term culling project. We look forward to turning our focus more toward tree planting, treescaping (thinning weak or crowded trees to allow health ones to thrive) and hopefully some deep-root fertilization, funds permitting. We planted four young oaks by the cemeteries in Williamsburg and Haydenville.

Fines were assessed against three residents for knowingly violating MGL Ch. 87 in defiance of Tree Warden's orders. One tree hearing was held on January 3, 2005.

The Shade Tree Committee worked with Bill Turner on the sidewalk restoration project on North Main Street by researching innovative methods and materials for protecting the tree roots beneath sidewalks.

We are negotiating with Cumberland Farms on Route 9 to move trees planted under the power lines and replace landscape trees that have died. We have also reserved six good-sized trees that are being donated by the Hadley tree nursery and are seeking locations for planting. Suggestions welcome!

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Compton, Chair
Michael Beattie
Anne Bussler
Osa Flory
Paul Jahnige
John Kuzeja

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUST FUND AND CEMETERY COMMISSION
&
TRUSTEES OF THE MEEKINS LIBRARY CORPORATION

The Trust Fund Commission is the governing board with the responsibility of overseeing the investment and distribution of the Trust Funds. There are 31 funds totaling approximately \$1,366,291.96 as of December 31, 2005. The Commission manages the funds with the assistance of Wachovia Securities.

The trust accounts are open to direct investments from anyone interested in making such contributions. Others may choose to contribute through their estate plan. Either method would be very welcome. During 2005 we received notice of two such contributions; Lois Scott contributed \$25,000 to the Arthur King Fund and Gertrude Ronk contributed an estimated \$35,000 (5% of her estate).

The distribution of the funds covers three major areas: student & school activities, benefits to the poor, and miscellaneous specialty matters.

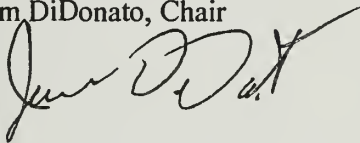
The Trust Fund Commission also handles endowment funds for the Meekins Library. The principal from the original library trust fund is being managed by the Commission as 'Trustees of the Meekins Library Corporation'. As with all Town funds, we have the responsibility of investing the funds and making distributions. Requests are made by the library trustees for the same purposes as laid out in the original will. The formula for determining funding levels is the same for the Meekins Library as it is for school activities.

Another responsibility of the Commission is to administer the upkeep of the Town's two cemeteries located at Old Village Hill and Mountain St and sale of burial lots. Only Mountain St. has burial lots available. Selected provisions of the cemetery guideline include:

- Pricing of new lots: \$ 750 for casket burial grave, \$ 375 for a cremation lot. \$ 600 to open a casket burial grave, \$ 750 if done in frozen ground condition; \$ 100 to open cremation grave; all fees to be paid to the Williamsburg Cemetery Commission.
- Two cremation urns are allowed in one cremation lot; four cremation urns are allowed in one casket lot.

Our meetings are held the first and second Monday of each month, at 7 pm in the Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim DiDonato, Chair



Annual Report of the Veterans' Agent

I was sworn in as Veterans' Agent on February 3, 2005. The first program I worked on was the 2005 Memorial Day program and parade which was well attended and a good program that included going to five cemeteries in Williamsburg and Haydenville. Clergies from two churches were present, as well as a guest minister, Arthur Wright, a Williamsburg High School alumnus.

Flags were presented to three family members of departed veterans who had funeral services. Assistance was given to one veteran and one wife of a veteran.

I heard that the VA in Leeds and the old Soldiers' Home were in need of small necessities of life and started collecting articles from townspeople. So far, I have made one trip to the VA in Leeds and two to Holyoke where I met some of the men at the old soldier's home. The home also has women veterans. I am planning to continue collecting items the men and women use such as after shave lotion, shaving cream, perfumes, makeup etc. The need for these things is great for them. If you would like to contribute, please contact me.

On November 11th, at 11:00 a.m., we held a Veterans' Day ceremony. The old flag was lowered and given to the Williamsburg Fire Department. A new flag was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eldridge. Jane Eldridge is my daughter and a marine veteran. It was a very cold day so the program was short, but impressive.

And, last but not least, without the help our very dedicated and talented Town Clerk and a wife who is very supportive, I made it through this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry J. Warner
Veterans' Agent

Annual Report of the Water and Sewer Commission

Don Owens has decided not to run for another term on the Water & Sewer Commission. We would like to thank Don for his sixteen years serving on the Water & Sewer Commission. Thanks Don!

The sewer project on Old Goshen Road and Village Hill Road was completed, except for a little clean-up and seeding to be done in the spring. Sewer hook-up is now available on Old Goshen Road from Route 9 to #10 Old Goshen Road and from #46 to #65 on Village Hill Road.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Turner

Annual Report of the Woodland Trails Committee

The Williamsburg Woodland Trails committee was established by the Selectmen to work with interested public and private property owners to enhance trail opportunities in town.

The Woodland Trails Committee has worked to establish awareness of the system of existing trails in Williamsburg on both public and private land. The Committee strives to strengthen the coalition of all trail users (including hikers, skiers, snowmobile riders, ATV riders, bikers, and equestrian users) interested in maintaining and improving Williamsburg's trails with respect for the individual landowners ' rights regarding trail use on their land.

This year the hikes hosted by the committee attracted a large number of participants, including many local families. The Woodland Trails members lead a winter snowshoe hike through Merritt Tree Farm to view our town's Big Oak located on the Bacon Tree Farm. Later in the winter we organized another snowshoe hike to Williamsburg's Historic Dam site and High Ridge area. We held a fall hike on the Petticoat Hill Reservation and the newly established Locke's Loop trail to experience the AmeriCorp crew trail improvements accomplished this past summer. We had received the crew through a Student Conservation Association application in conjunction with the Trustees of Reservations. They constructed steps and erosion control features to protect and improve the trail on the Petticoat hill Reservation along with the new Williamsburg Woodland Trails addition, Locke's Loop extension.

The committee coordinated with the Hilltown Land Trust to sponsor a spring volunteer trail maintenance day on the Bradley property, where volunteers used power and hand tools to extend the trail system.

We assisted Mass Audubon with the O'Neil Hill Conservation Campaign Activity Day held at the Graves Farm Sanctuary., by leading a hike introducing participants to the potential trail network on the property.

The Hall Conservation Area, which was gifted to the town, has many special natural features including wildflowers. The trails committee is working to improve the existing trails on the property, making them available to local hikers.

Our Woodland Trails website where our hikes, activities and project updates and trail maps will be posted, will soon be up and running. Please visit us there.

Last year the Woodland Trails Committee published a brochure listing publicly accessible trails in town. Copies are available at the Town Clerk's office and Meekins Library. Today's trails are used primarily for recreation rather than transportation. These trails may cross public and private property, so users must respect the trails, the property and each other. The Woodland Trails committee requests that all users follow these guidelines when using local trails. Please obey all posted trail use and property signs. Please respect all trail users. Hiking, skiing, biking, horseback riding, ATV riding, and snowmobile riding are all important trail uses in Williamsburg. Please stay on the trails, be sensitive to natural and cultural resources, take out trash if you find it and avoid environmentally sensitive areas.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Merritt

Committee members: Paul Jahnige, John Hoogstraten, Eileen Keegan, Kathaleen Emerson, Dean Acheson, Gwen Blodgett, Mike Reed, Mary Serreze

